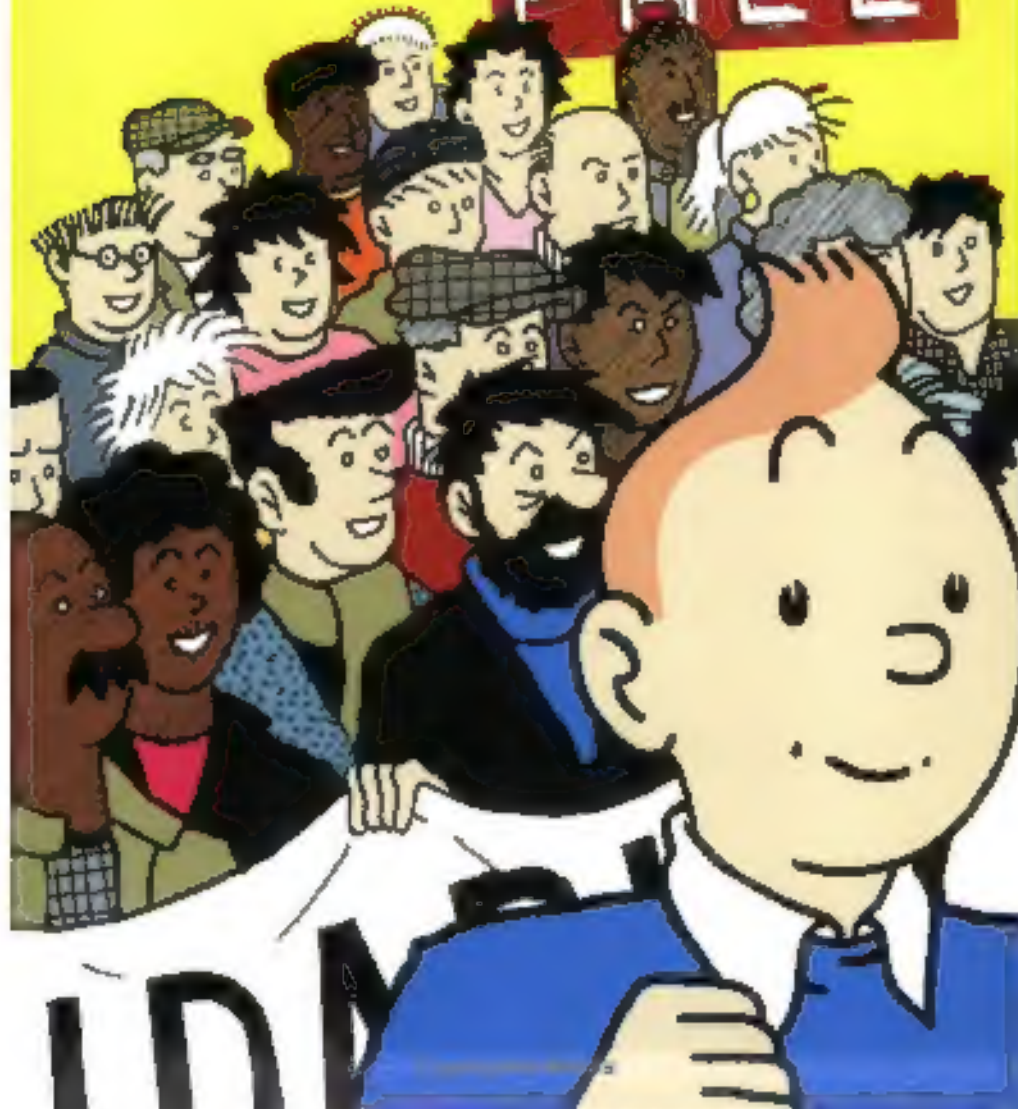




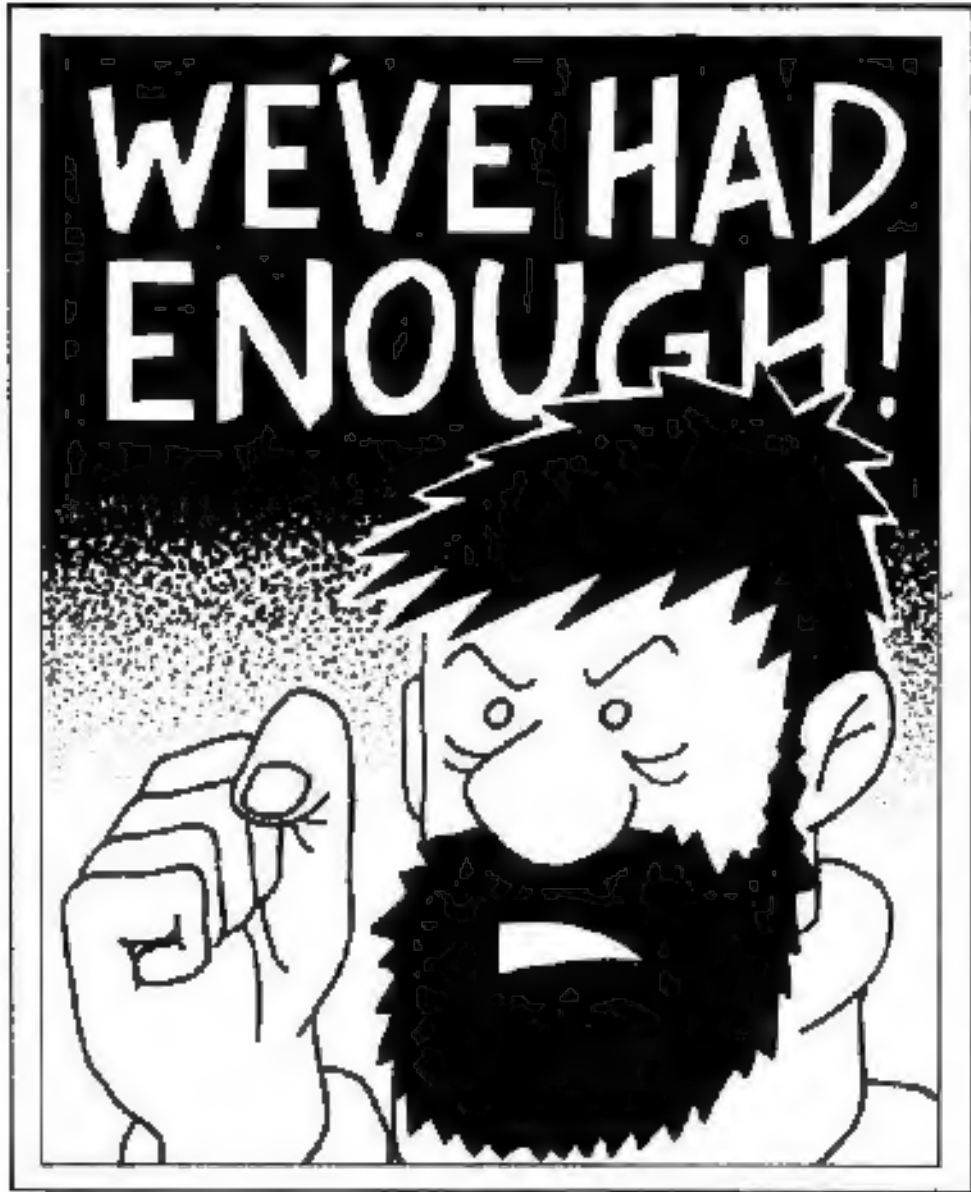
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THE ADVENTURES OF TINTIN

BREAKING FREE



CHAPTER • ONE





TINTIN, ME OLD MATE!
HOW'S IT GOING?

NOT SO BAD
UNCLE, NOT
SO BAD...



MARY, LOOK WHO'S HERE ...
IT'S YOUR FAVOURITE NEPHEW!

HIYA TINTIN! YOU OK?
WE HAVEN'T SEEN YOU
FOR AGES...



WELL THINGS
AIN'T THAT HOT
TO TELL THE
TRUTH ... YOU
SEE, THEY CUT
ME DOLE LAST
WEEK! ...



...THEY SAY IT'S MY
FAULT I GOT KICKED
OFF THAT J.T.S. SCHEME
THING...

YOUR FAULT!?

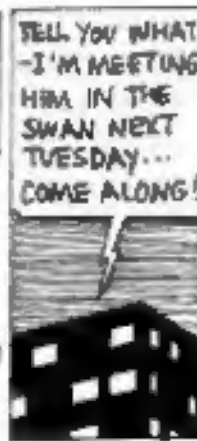


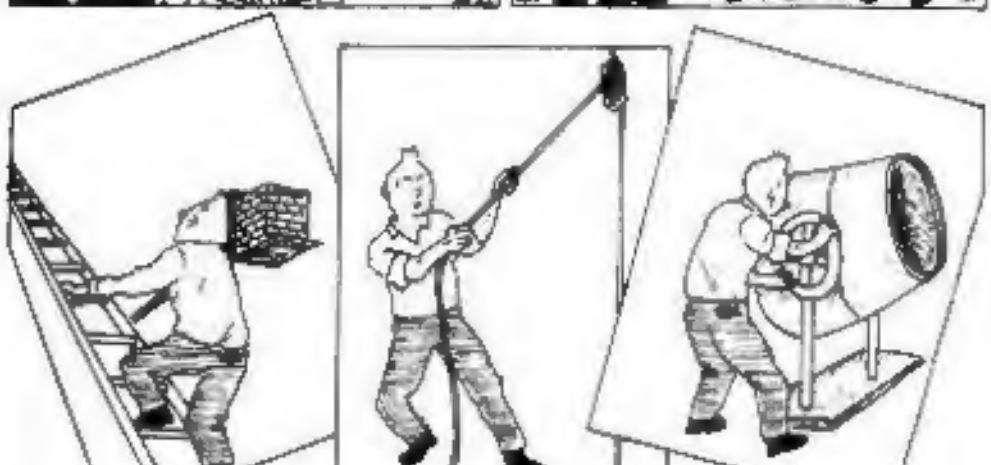
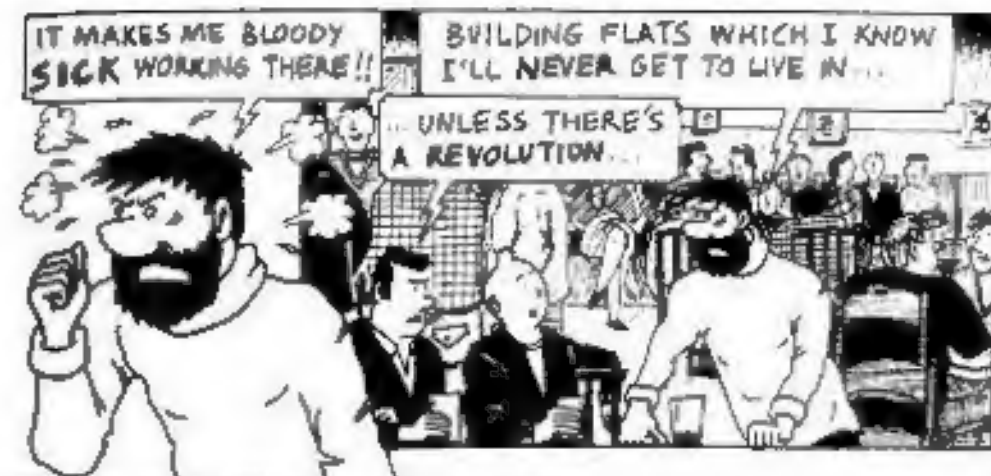
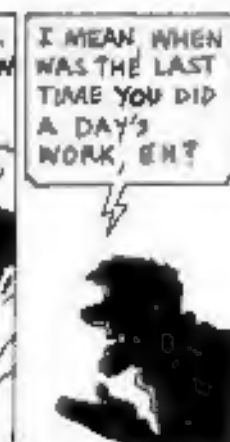
FROM WHAT I HEARD, I
RECKON YOUR BOSS GOT OFF
LIGHTLY WITH JUST A FEW
CHIPPED TEETH!



I WENT **BERSERK**
DOWN AT SOCIAL
WHEN THEY TOLD
ME ...









...GOD, I'M WELL KNACKERED



...AYE AND YOU'LL BE MORE THAN JUST KNACKERED IF THEY CATCH YOU SKIVING!



SHIFT OVER, MATE - NO-ONE'S LOOKING...
BUT WHAT AM I SLOGGING MY GUTS OUT FOR, CAPTAIN? ... A RIGHT BLOODY PITTANCE!



LOOK SHARP! THE BOSS IS ABOUT!



IS IT STILL OK TO EAT AT YOURS TONIGHT?
YEH, MARY SAID COME ROUND AT SIX... OK?



AND SO...
CHEERS, MARY! THAT WAS DEAD NICE...



YEH, IT'S NOT MUCH, IS IT... BUT IT JUST MEANS WE HAVE TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF ALL THE PERKS!



LOOK AT ME - I AIN'T RICH, BUT I'M NEVER SHORT OF TOOLS... IF YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN!



...AND IF YOU GET REALLY BORED, YOU CAN ALWAYS "MODIFY" THE PLANS...



BANG! BANG!



WHAT THE HELL'S GOING ON!? IT'S COMING FROM OUTSIDE...



THERE'S SOMEONE BREAKING IN NEXT DOOR... OI! WHAT'S YOUR GAME!?



ME AND A FEW OF THE OTHER LADS WERE SUB-CONTRACTED TO HELP PUT UP A NEW PIG STATION A FEW YEARS BACK...



...WE MUST HAVE BEEN VERY ABSOUT MINDED...



...COS THREE MONTHS LATER THE WHOLE FRIGGING ROOF CAVED IN!
SHAME!



LOOK, IT'S ALRIGHT... WE'RE NOT OUT TO CAUSE ANY TROUBLE...

IT'S JUST THAT I'M HOMELESS AND SO I...



...SO YOU'RE GONNA BE A SQUATTER NEXT DOOR... IS THAT IT, LOVE?

...ER..YEAH...



SQUATTERS EH?...



WHAT?! THE KETTLE EXPLODED?!



NO - DON'T BE DAFT! I'M TALKING ABOUT WHY I HAD TO LEAVE HOME ..



YOU SEE, MY PARENTS REFUSE TO ACCEPT THAT I'M... THAT I'M A LESBIAN...



MY MUM JUST COULDN'T SEE IT... I MEAN, AS A LESBIAN, I'VE GOT ABOUT AS MUCH CHANCE OF CATCHING AIDS AS THE POPE!



YEH, YOU'RE RIGHT - IT'S PROBABLY THE SAFEST SORT OF SEX... AND DEFINITELY THE NICEST!



AND IF ANYTHING'S 'UNNATURAL' IT'S GOT TO BE THE PERSECUTION I GET FROM STRAIGHTS



GOD, IT WAS AWFUL! I WAS LIVING A DOUBLE LIFE IN THAT TOWN...



HASSLED AT WORK BY ALL THOSE OFFICE CREEPS...



...AND THEN I'D GET HOME AND GET HASSLED BY MY PARENTS TO FIND A NICE BOYFRIEND!



A few weeks later... THIS PLACE IS A BLOODY TIP... LOOK AT IT!



THE COUNCIL HAVEN'T CLEANED UP ROUND HERE FOR AGES...



WHAT THE HELL DO WE PAY OUR RATES FOR



IT WAS A REAL RELIEF TO RING GAY SWITCHBOARD AND HEAR SOMEONE SAY I WASN'T MAD OR 'UNNATURAL'!



AND SO IT ALL CAME OUT LAST WEEK CAN'T YOU SEE? I DON'T LIKE MEN... I DON'T WANT TO SLEEP WITH MEN...

NICOLA? WHAT... WHY... WHAT ABOUT AIDS?



WHERE DID WE GO WRONG...?



WHAT WAS IT LAST YEAR... £600? FOR SHEET FANNY ADAMS!



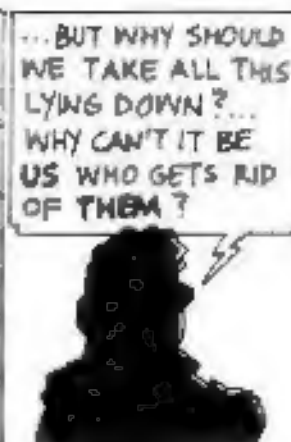
... AND ALL THE BACKHANDERS!



THAT COUNCILLOR RYAN GOT OFF SCOT FREE, DIDN'T HE?







I MEAN, YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO BUY MUCH AT TODAY'S PRICES, CAN YOU?

I KNOW SOMETIMES I WONDER HOW WE'RE EVER GOING TO SURVIVE



OH WE'LL MUDDLE THROUGH SOMEHOW WE ALWAYS DO POP ROUND FOR A CUPPA LATER MARY IF YOU LIKE



YEH I'D LOVE TO I'LL BRING SOME CAKE ROUND

TA-RA MRS. DAVIS!



LISTEN PAL THE REAL ENEMY ARE THE BOSSES! IT AIN'T WHAT COLOUR YOU ARE - IT'S HOW RICH YOU ARE YEH, I AGREE



WE STAND AGAINST THE BOSSES TOO. THEN WHY DO YOU DIVIDE THE WORKERS INTO BLACK AND WHITE?



THE BOSSES HAVE USED THE BLACKS AGAINST BRITISH WORKERS IT'S OUR COUNTRY FOR WHITE WORKERS FOR US! BLACKS AIN'T BRITISH!



A few hours later



SHOULD BE A GOOD GAME TODAY, CAPTAIN

JUST AS LONG AS WE WIN MATE



OH BOLLOCKS! THIS AIN'T MY COUNTRY IT'S THE RICH'S COUNTRY! AND WHAT RACE ARE YOU ANYWAY? FRENCH? DANISH? VIKING?!



LOOK AT THIS! IT'S JUST DIVIDE AND RULE WORKING FOR THE BOSSES



YOU LOOKING FOR TROUBLE?!



READ THE TRUTH! KICK OUT THE MUGGERS - ENGLAND FOR THE ENGLISH



WANNA BUY A COPY OF THE PAPER MATE?



HAVE YOU EVER READ IT?!



SHOVE OFF, I DON'T WANNA READ THAT

YOU LOOKING FOR A HOSPITAL BED?!



SORRY MATE NO OFFENCE MEANT

COS YOU'RE GONNA GET ONE YOU FUCKIN' BASTARD!



NOW PISS OFF OUT OF HERE



THEY REALLY WIND ME UP THAT LOT

YOUR GRANDAD GOT HURT LOADS OF TIMES TRYING TO KEEP THEM OFF THE STREETS IN THE 1930s



YEAH, KEVIN HERE GOT DONE OVER BY THEM A FEW MONTHS BACK ... THEY CARVED A SWASTIKA ON HIS STOMACH



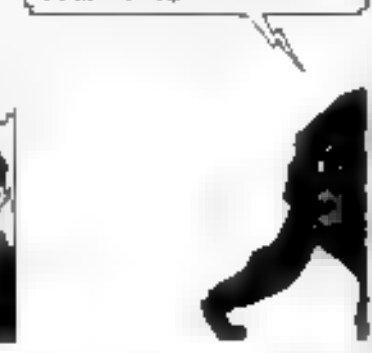
BASTARDS!



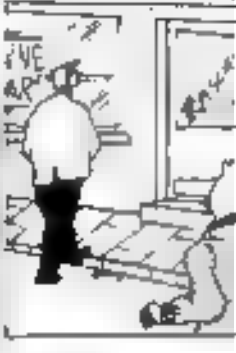
HAH, C MON ON KEY IT'LL BE A GOOD CRACK! - YOU NEVER KNOW, THERE COULD BE SOME DECENT DIPPING TO BE DONE!



WE'LL MOVE IT THEN WE'RE WASTING DRINKING TIME!



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One football match later...



BLOODY GOOD MATCH YEH IT'S ABOUT TIME WE WON!



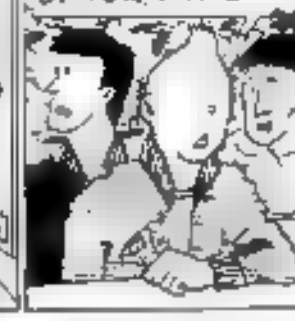
LOOK I'M GONNA CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING I'LL DROP BY LATER ON MY WAY HOME OK?



OK, SEE YA!



I'LL GET EM IN THREE PINTS OF LIGHT AND BITTER, MATE



I'M SORRY, SIR - WE DON'T SELL BEER



ALRIGHT THEN TINTIN, WHAT WE DOING?

WELL THE BOOZERS A'N'T OPEN YET.



BUT I RECKON WE SHOULD CHECK OUT THAT NEW WINE BAR DOWN THE ROAD.



LEAVE IT OUT! ME IN THERE? YOU MUST BE JOKING! T'S FOR POSH BASTARDS, INNIT!



ALRIGHT MAKE IT THREE PINTS OF LAGER THEN



NO LAGER



WHAT DO YOU SELL THEN EH? PONCY, OVERPRICED WINE? WELL I'LL HAVE SOME OF THAT



I'M AFRAID WE'RE
SELLING NOTHING TO
YOU, SIR WOULD
YOU MIND LEAVING?



YOU WHAT? WHAT'S
WRONG WITH MY
MONEY?! AT LEAST
I COME FROM ROUND
HERE NOT LIKE

YOU REFUSING TO
LEAVE?



GET YOUR
FUCKIN PANS
OFF ME

SOD OFF BACK
TO HAMSTEAD
YOU LOT AIN'T
WELCOME HERE



ON THE CONTRARY YOU'RE
THE ONE WHO'S NOT
WELCOME! ... CHARLES
CALL THE POLICE



YOU BASTARD... I'M
GONNA HAVE YOU!

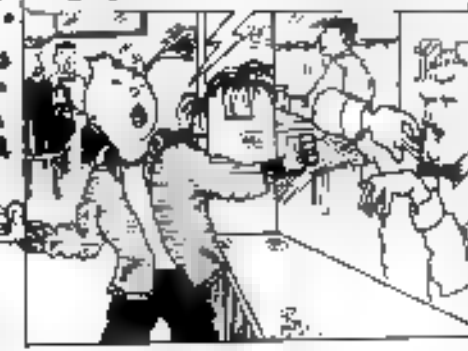
CHARLES!



DID YOU CALL
ME ADRIAN?



C'MON THEN!



DRINK UP, MATE!!



C'MON - LET'S
SPLIT! THE
COPS LL BE
HERE SOON



HANG ON WAIT
A MINUTE



BASTARDS!!

HA HA' HA' HA'

Some hours later

H YA TINTIN!

CAPTAIN! ALRIGHT?

I WAS JUST ON MY WAY TO SEE YOU. I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR A 23 FOR BLOODY HOURS

I'VE BEEN DOWN THE ANCHOR WITH JIM - DID YOU HAVE A GOOD TIME?

YEH WE GOT INTO A SCRAP IN THAT NEW WINE BAR. IT WAS A GOOD CRACK!

YOU WANNA BE CAREFUL TINTIN! ALTHOUGH GOD KNOWS THAT LOT DESERVE ALL THEY GET

AND I MANAGED TO GET ONE OF THE BASTARDS' WALLETS. FANCY A CUPPA?

A few days later
YEH, IT WAS OK

I MEAN I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND SOME OF THE WORDS THEY USED THERE

BUT ALL THE SAME IT'S NICE TO KNOW THAT THERE IS A WOMEN'S CENTRE

Y'KNOW, SOMEWHERE WHERE YOU CAN JUST MEET OTHER WOMEN.

SOUNDS GOOD

YOU NEVER KNOW. I MAY COME DOWN THERE WITH YOU ONE OF THESE DAYS!

YEH GO ON, MARY!

MY CLEANING JOB'S ONLY PART TIME AND I GET FED UP BEING STUCK IN HERE THE REST OF THE DAY

I USED TO WORK IN A CAFE - BUT IT WAS REALLY HORRIBLE!

YEH, I'VE DONE IT TOO.

CRAP PAY A BRU SED BUM AND LOUSY TIPS.

I USED TO SPEND ALL DAY WAITING ON WASHING UP AND WORKING IN THE KITCHEN



THAT'S BOLLOCKS, TINTIN AND YOU KNOW IT!



LOOK TINTIN, ALL I'M SAYING IS THAT IT'S ALWAYS US WOMEN WHO CLEAN UP BEHIND YOU. DARN YOUR SOCKS FOR YOU



I BET YOU THINK WE WERE PUT ON THIS PLANET JUST TO PLEASE YOU LOOK FOR YOU, WASH UP FOR YOU



AND OF COURSE WE'LL HAVE SEX ANY TIME YOU WANT - EVEN IF WE SAY WE WON'T!



YOU'RE WELL OUT OF ORDER, NICKY - OK, I'M A BIT LAZY BUT I AIN'T NO BLOODY RAPIST!



ALL MEN ARE POTENTIAL RAPISTS TINTIN!

BOLLOCKS



WELL HOW COME MOST RAPES ARE COMMITTED BY "FRIENDS" NOT BY STRANGERS? RAPISTS AREN'T 'MAD'



THEY'RE JUST MALE !!



The next day



UHHH - ABOUT LAST NIGHT ER MARY SENT ME ROUND TO APOLOGISE I WAS WAY OUT OF LINE YEAH YOU WERE



I SHOULDN'T HAVE HAD A GO AT YOU I'M SORRY I MEAN IT

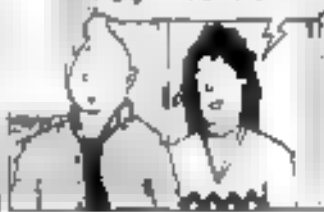


THAT'S OK FORGET IT - I'M USED TO IT NOWADAYS WE'LL DON'T JUST STAND THERE COME IN!



DO YOU LIVE HERE ALONE THEN?

NO, THERE'S JAN AS WELL BUT SHE'S OUT TONIGHT

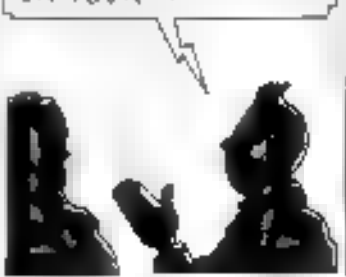


DO YOU LIKE IT?

UHHH ER IT'S OK ER



BUT WHAT'S IT FOR UHHH NO I MEAN WHY HAVE YOU GOT IT ON YOUR WALL



I MEAN YOU DON'T LOOK LIKE - Y'KNOW LIKE ONE OF THEM.

ONE OF 'THEM'? WE'RE CALLED LESBIANS



AND DON'T EXPECT
ME TO APOLOGISE
FOR T I'M FED UP
OF ALL THAT HASSLE

AND DON'T LOOK AT
ME LIKE I'M FROM
OUTER SPACE!
HAVEN'T YOU EVER
FANCED A BLOKE?

I'M NOT A
'QUEER' I'M
A LESBIAN!

YECCH NO! I
AIN'T A QUEER

OK BUT THAT STILL
DON'T MAKE T JMM
Y KNOWN NATURAL

NATURAL? WHAT
AND SHOP FTNG IS?
HA HA HA GIVE US
A BREAK TINTIN
NATURAL HA! HA!

BUT T AIN'T
NATURAL

SAYS
WHO?

ANYWAY WHAT DOES
'QUEER' MEAN? - YOU
AIN'T EXACTLY NORMAL

YOU WHAT?!

WELL YOU DON'T DO
EVERYTHING YOU'RE
TOLD TO DO, DO
YOU? - YOU NICK
FROM SHOPS
YOU FIDDLE THE
DOLE YOU BUNK
OFF WORK

LOOK I DON'T
KNOCK YOU FOR
DOING WHAT YOU
WANT SO
WHY DO YOU
KNOCK ME?

I'LL TELL YOU WHO SAYS
IT AIN'T NATURAL -
YOUR TEACHERS, YOUR
DAD, YOUR BOSSES -
ALL THE PEOPLE YOU'RE
ALWAYS MOANING ABOUT

WISE UP TINTIN
T'S JUST DIVIDE
AND RULE THE
SAME AS THEY DO
WITH BLACK PEOPLE
OR

OK OK I
GIVE IN!

SO LET ME GET
THIS RIGHT
YOU AND JAN
JMM ARE SORT
OF GOING OUT
AND YOU DON'T
EVER GO WITH
BLOKES
RIGHT

I MEAN WHAT DIFFERENCE
DOES IT MAKE IF I SLEEP
WITH JAN? EH?

WELL ER NONE
I SUPPOSE

LOOK TINTIN I'LL
BE HONEST WITH
YOU I LIKE
YOU - YOU'RE OK
I'D BE GREAT IF
WE COULD BE
FRIENDS

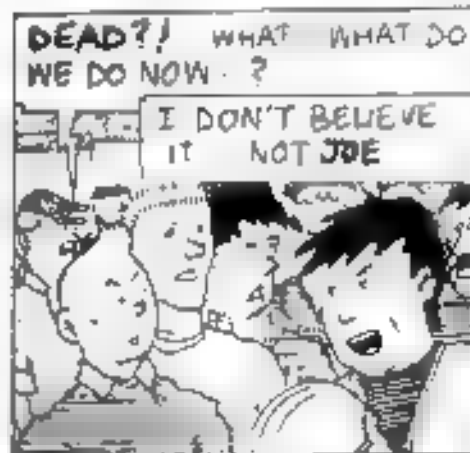
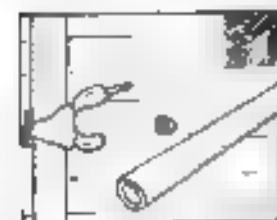
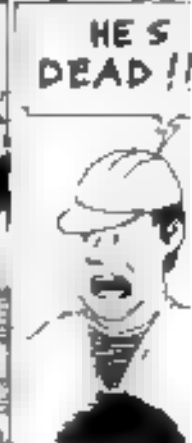
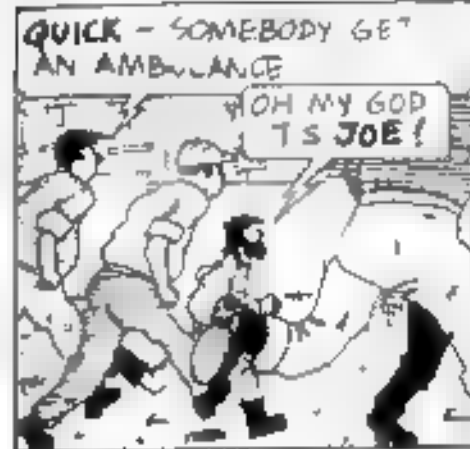
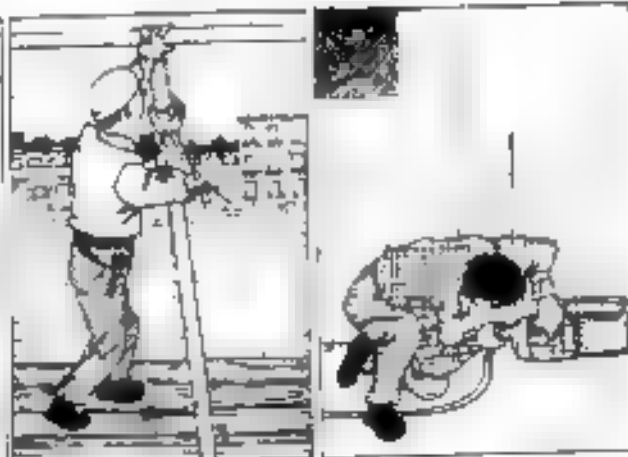
BUT YOU'LL
JUST HAVE TO
TAKE ME
FOR WHAT I
AM, OK?

IS THAT GONNA BE
A PROBLEM BETWEEN
US THEN?

NO NO OF
COURSE NOT

ANYWAY I
ONLY GO FOR
BLONDES

OH TINTIN!!



GOD DEAD? I WAS CHATTING WITH HIM JUST A FEW MINUTES AGO



I TELL YOU, THIS HAS PUT ME RIGHT OFF WORKING ME TOO I JUST WANNA GO HOME AND FORGET TODAY



HEY LADS SIMMONS ON HIS WAY OVER!



I CAN UNDERSTAND THAT YOU'RE UPSET -WE ALL ARE



BUT AS THE SUPERVISOR, MY JOB IS TO DETERMINE THE CAUSE OF THE ACCIDENT AND FILE A REPORT



WELL A BLOODY REPORT AIN'T GONNA BRING JOE BACK

ERR NO BUT IT MAY HELP TO



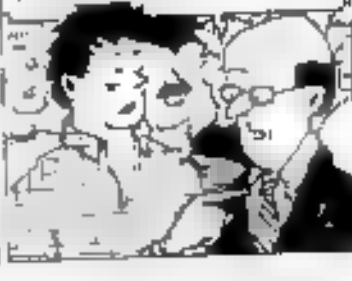
WHAT THE HELL'S BEEN GOING ON?



IT'S JOE HE'S DEAD A POLE T JUST CAME AWAY I TRIED TO WARN HIM



AND HIS BODY? IN THERE? GOOD NOW TELL ME HAD HE BEEN DRINKING AT ALL?



LISTEN BEFORE YOU GET ANY FURTHER I AIN'T SATISFIED WITH THIS! GET THE MANAGER OUT HERE!



YEAH, WE WANT TO SEE THE BOSS!



ERR I'M UNAVAILABLE WELL... HE'S UNAVAILABLE UMM AT THIS MOMENT



EH?! WHAT YOU'RE SETTING AT? NO COURSE NOT!



LOOK ALL I'M TRYING TO DO IS ESTABLISH WHAT HAPPENED I CAN'T EVEN CONTACT HIS NEXT OF-KIN, LET ALONE WRITE A REPORT TILL WE KNOW THE FACTS WHAT ABOUT WITNESSES?



I'LL TELL YOU THE BLOODY FACTS - A MAN'S LYING DEAD IN THERE COS THIS SITE'S GOT A LOUSY SAFETY RECORD!



IN THAT CASE YOU CAN TELL HIM THAT I'M BLOODY UNAVAILABLE UNAVAILABLE FOR WORK AS FROM NOW



YEH WE'VE HAD ENOUGH! THEY'RE ALWAYS SCREENING US AND NOW THEY'RE KILLING US!



WELL THEY ARE GETTING AWAY WITH THIS ONE LET'S STRIKE



DID YOU HEAR THAT
SIMMONS? THIS SITE
IS COMPLETELY **CLOSED**
AS FROM NOW

WHAT WHAT DO
YOU WANT?



MORE WAGES!
LESS HOURS

BETTER
SAFETY



WE WANT YOU
SACKED AN ALL
SAFETY'S MEANT
TO BE YOUR JOB



SO FIRST WE NEED THE
ADDRESSES OF ALL THE
LONGSITES

I'LL ASK AROUND IN
THE CANTEEN MOST
OF US THERE HAVE
WORKED ALL THE
BIG SITES



RIGHT CAROL HERE IS
DRAWING UP A LIST OF
SITES AND WE NEED
TO SORT OUT TRANSPORT
AND

HOW ABOUT A
LEAFLET?



AN HOUR
ATER

HEY! WOOD
IS WALKING
OVER THIS
WAY



AND WE WANT
COMPENSATION
FOR JOE'S FAMILY
TEN GRAND
SHOULD DO FOR
STARTERS



ONLY TEN? LET'S MAKE
IT A HUNDRED GRAND-
THOSE BASTARDS CAN
AFFORD IT!



GO ON SIMMONS,
RUN OFF BACK TO
YOUR BOSS AND
TELL HIM WHAT
WE'RE UP TO
AND DON'T
COME
BACK!!



RIGHT NOW LOOK LADS

AND LASSES!
ALL THE WOMEN
ARE OUT TOO



IT'S BEEN A LONG
DAY FOR ALL OF US
BELIEVE ME, NO-ONE
IS MORE UPSET BY
TODAY'S EVENTS THAN
ME



BUT I'VE JUST
BEEN ON THE
PHONE TO
HEAD OFFICE
AND I'VE GOT
GOOD NEWS



RIGHT WE NEED TO
GET A PICKET ON
THE MAIN GATE

BUT THIS ISN'T
THE ONLY
LONGS SITE



FLYING PICKETS!

YEH, THAT'S THE
DEA I BET
SAFETY'S LOUSY
ON EVERY
LONGS SITE



YOU'RE RIGHT THERE
LOVE AND IF WE
COULD GET 'EM ALL
OUT, WE MIGHT BE
IN WITH A
CHANCE



WE'VE AGREED TO
DISCUSS MOST OF
YOUR DEMANDS AND
LISTEN TO YOUR
GRIEVANCES



SO JUST AS SOON AS
YOU RESUME WORK,
NEGOTIATIONS WILL
COMMENCE WITH
MR JONES YOUR
UNION REPRESENTATIVE



NO WAY! YOU
CAN GET BACK ON
THAT PHONE AND
TELL HEAD OFFICE
TO STUFF IT!





ARE YOU DEAF LAD?
THE MEETING'S
OVER LET'S ALL
GO HOME AND CALM
DOWN



STUFF THAT!
LISTEN SAFETY'S
BEEN CRAP EVER
SINCE I STARTED
HERE



YEAH!

IT'S OBVIOUS
YOU NEVER
CARED ABOUT
SAFETY BEFORE
SO WHY SHOULD
YOU CARE NOW?



YOU WANT TO TAKE OUR
DISPUTE OFF TO THE
UNION HEAD OFFICE —
AND YOU'LL JUST SIT
ON IT — AND NOTHING
WILL GET DONE



YEH JOE WAS
OUR MATE I
BET YOU DON'T
EVEN KNOW
WHO HE WAS!



WE TRUSTED YOU
WITH THE
OVERTIME BAN
THREE YEARS
AGO AND YOU
SOLD US OUT
THEN!



YOU'RE A BOSSES
MAN JONES
ALWAYS HAVE
BEEN AND ALWAYS
WILL BE



GET A JOB

SELL-OUT

SOD OFF



FORGET THE
UNION RIGHT
WHO'S GONNA
PICKET TODAY?



ME
TOO!

OH IT AIN'T OUR
UNION IT'S JUST
FOR THE BOSSES



THAT'S NOT
TRUE!

YOU CAN RAISE
ALL THIS AT
THE NEXT BRANCH
MEETING



STUFF YOUR
MEETINGS, JONES!
WE WANT ACTION!



BURN THE BLOODY
RULE BOOK



I'VE BEEN A UNION
MEMBER FOR ELEVEN
YEARS, AND I'VE DONE
MORE FOR IT THAN
YOU'LL EVER DO!



THIS IS OUR
STRIKE AND
WE'RE TAKING
CONTROL OF IT!!



CHAPTER • TWO





I DON'T KNOW
WHAT'S IT GOT TO
DO WITH US?



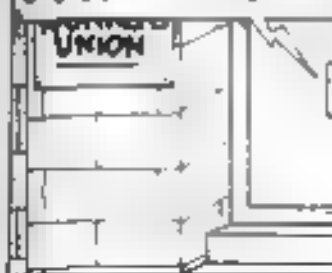
I'VE GOT A
FAMILY TO KEEP



BLOODY STRIKES
I'M SICK OF 'EM



WELL, AS I SEE IT,
WE HAVE A VERY
NASTY SITUATION
ON OUR HANDS



THE DISPUTE IS
SLIPPING OUT OF
OUR HANDS - THE
MEN WON'T
LISTEN
TO US.



AND THE BLOODY
WOMEN NEVER
DID! ... SO WHAT
ARE YOU GOING TO
DO ABOUT IT, ALAN?



LOOK, WE'RE ALL
IN THE SAME
BOAT WE ALL
WORK FOR LONGS



IT COULD BE YOU
WHO GETS KILLED
NEXT!



AND YOU WON'T
BE MUCH USE
TO YOUR FAMILY
WHEN YOU'RE SIX
FEET UNDER!



WELL I'M MEETING GEORGE LONG AT
HIS CLUB TONIGHT



IT'S GOT TO BE SORTED OUT
QUICKLY, ALAN

OTHERWISE, WE'RE
ALL GOING TO BE IN
DEEP WATERS
THERE'S AT LEAST
FIVE SITES TOTALLY
OUT ALREADY - AFTER
JUST FOUR
DAYS!!



YEH YOU'RE RIGHT!
THIS PLACE IS A
DEATH-TRAP - I
SAY WE STRIKE!



YEH, C'MON LADS
IT'S ABOUT TIME
SOMEONE DID
SOMETHING. I'VE
GOT A FAMILY TOO,
BUT FRANK'S RIGHT



LET'S STRIKE!



THE WAY I SEE IT,
WE'RE TRAPPED -
WE CAN'T AFFORD TO
MAKE THE STRIKE
OFFICIAL



BECAUSE THAT WOULD
MEAN WE CONDONE
THE BREAKING OF
THE LAW.



BUT IF WE DON'T
COME UP WITH
SOMETHING, WE
RISK LOSING
MEMBERS



EXACTLY!

IT'S VITAL WE CLEAR IT UP NOW WHILE WE STILL HAVE CREDIBILITY

WELL I'LL SEE WHAT CONCESSIONS I CAN WIN FROM GEORGE TONIGHT

I HOPE YOU SUCCEED ALAN FOR ALL OUR SALES, I HOPE YOU SUCCEED

IT'S NOT THE 90s ANY MORE, ALAN - I CALL THE TUNE THESE DAYS AND I WANT THAT LOT **SMASHED!**

I'VE GOT PEOPLE QUEUING UP FOR JOBS ALREADY AND I'LL TELL YOU THIS

I WON'T BE PICKING ANY MEMBERS OF YOUR BLOODY UNION EITHER!

That evening

THAT'S LOVELY, THANKS

WHERE WAS I? OH YES - I KNOW THAT THINGS ARE TIGHT IN THE TRADE RIGHT NOW, SO THIS STRIKE COULD COST YOU A LOT OF MONEY

TOO DAMN RIGHT!!

I'M SICK OF PAYING YOU BACKHANDERS ALAN WHEN YOU CAN'T CONTROL YOUR MEN

BUT BUT GEORGE! THE POLICE HAVE ALREADY PROMISED FULL CO-OPERATION TO ENSURE NORMAL WORKING

SO YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY DETERMINED TO BREAK THIS STRIKE?

BUT QUITE FRANKLY THIS ONE WON'T BE SETTLED BY ONE OF OUR NORMAL AGREEMENTS

I KNOW THAT ALAN THIS TIME I'M GOING TO GET THOSE BUGGERS

UMM THAT'S FAR ENOUGH BUT WE NEED TO WORK OUT

NO!

YES! AND GET WAGES DOWN - THEY'VE HAD IT COMING TO THEM FOR YEARS!

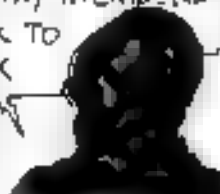
WELL YOU KNOW MY POSITION AS UNION REPRESENTATIVE - I CAN'T POSSIBLY AGREE WITH YOUR PROPOSALS

BUT I AM PREPARED TO TRY TO FIND COMMON GROUND WITH YOU GEORGE

DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND?
I'M NOT INTERESTED
ANY MORE IT'S TIME TO
STAND UP AND TAKE ON
THESE BLOODY
TROUBLEMAKERS



YES AND I DO
ALL I POSSIBLY
CAN TO SETTLE
THIS DISPUTE
PEACEFULLY AND
GET MY MEMBERS
BACK TO WORK



BUT IN THE
MEANTIME
I'D LIKE TO
REMAND
YOU



WELL A BLOKE
GOT KILLED LAST
WEEK



CAPTAIN SAYS THE
SAFETY'S AWFUL
THE WORST SITE HE'S
EVER WORKED ON



AND THE PAY'S
NEVER BEEN
MUCH GOOD
SO THEY'RE
DEMANDING A
RISE AS WELL



THAT HEAD OFFICE HOLDS
A COMPLETE LIST OF ALL
OUR SKILLED MEMBERS
WHO ARE CURRENTLY
UNEMPLOYED....



HMMM YES, THAT COULD
BE USEFUL FANCY A
BRANDY ALAN?



NOW YOU'RE TALKING,
GEORGE!...

THAT'S GREAT
I DUNNO IF T
CARRIES ON
THINGS ARE
GOING TO BE
PRETTY TIGHT



IT WAS HARD ENOUGH
TO MAKE ENDS MEET
BEFORE AND
SHARON'S GOING TO
NEED A NEW SCHOOL
UNIFORM SOON



WELL IF
THERE'S
ANYTHING I
CAN DO



THANKS
LOVE

Meanwhile in another
part of the city

HI YA MARY HOW'S
IT GOING?



OH, NOT
SO BAD
HOW'S YOU?



I'M FINE
WHAT'S ALL
THIS I HEAR
ABOUT A
STRIKE?



TELL YOU WHAT
DIES IS COMING
ROUND LATER - HE
KNOWS A LOT
ABOUT WHAT YOU
CAN CLAIM FROM
THE DHSS

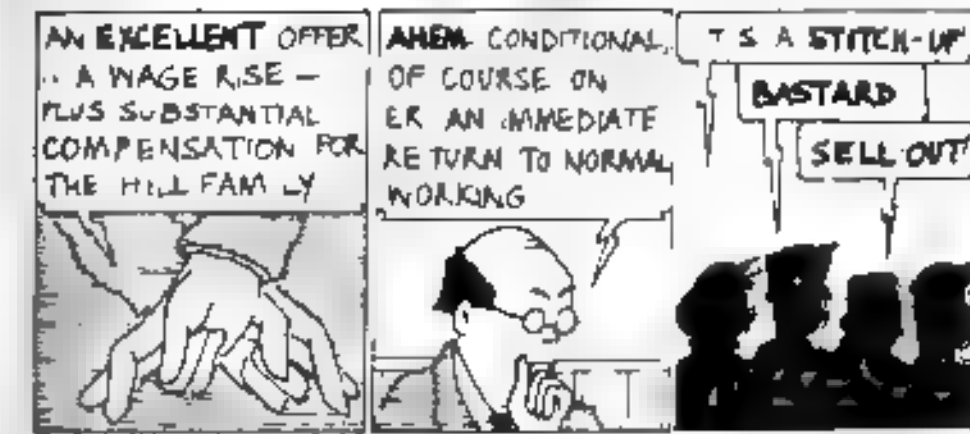
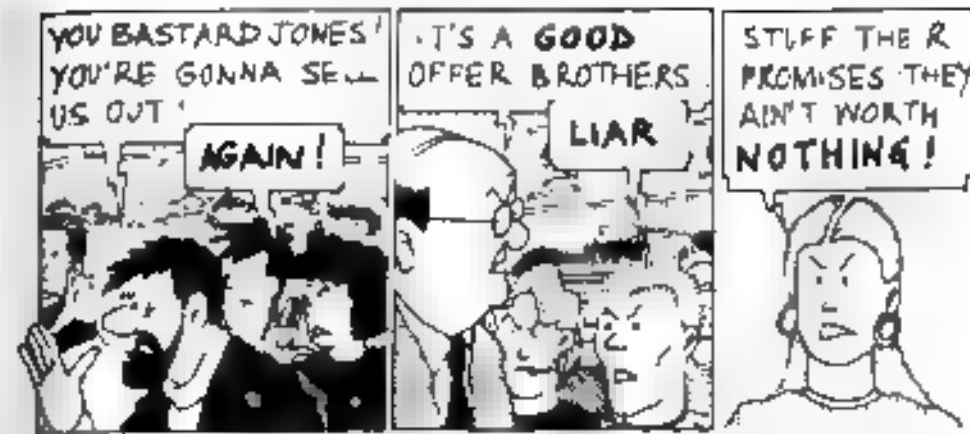


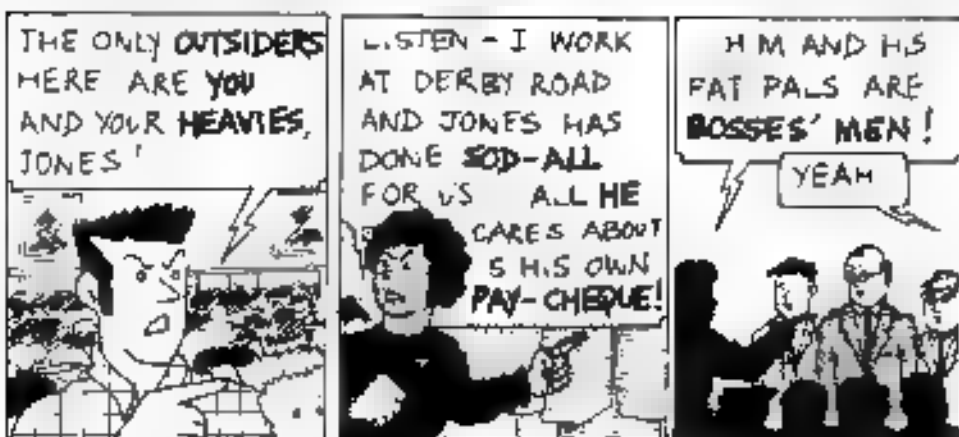
HELLO LOVE!
YOU ALRIGHT?
I'M BLOODY
EXHAUSTED!











SORRY MATE - LOOKS
LIKE YOU'RE OUT!!
HA! HA! HA!

BUT BUT BUT
YOU CAN'T DO THIS!
WE JUST
HAVE!!

BUT THIS IS THE
UNION HALL
IT'S OUR
BLOODY
HALL!

I'M DONE WITH
CRAWLING AND
ARSE-UCKING

I'M SICK OF THEIR
LIES, THEIR LOW
PAY, THEIR CRAP
SAFETY

WE'RE GOING TO
FIGHT TILL WE
DROP...

BUT THIS IS
ILLEGAL!!

GO ON F*CK OFF JONES
AND TAKE YOUR HEAVIES
WITH YOU!!

RIGHT - LET'S
HAVE A BIT
OF ORDER

AND WE'RE GONNA
WIN!!
YEAH!

YOU TELL
THEM, SUE

IF ANYONE WANTS
TO HELP DRAW UP
A PICKET ROTA
COME AND
SEE ME

I'LL GIVE YOU
HAND, FRANK
WE CAN
USE MY

NOW WE'VE GOT RID
OF THAT LOT, WE
CAN GET DOWN TO
THE REAL BUSINESS

WE'VE GOT TO
GET ORGANISED
- WE'VE GOT TO
SORT OUT PICKETS
WE'VE GOT TO
RAISE
MONEY

AND WE'VE GOT
TO FIGHT!!

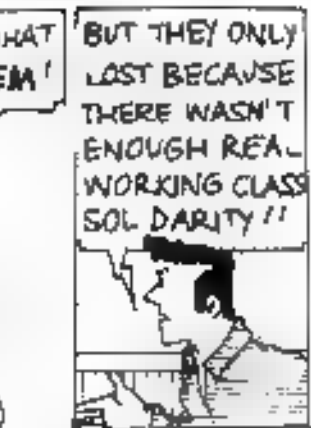
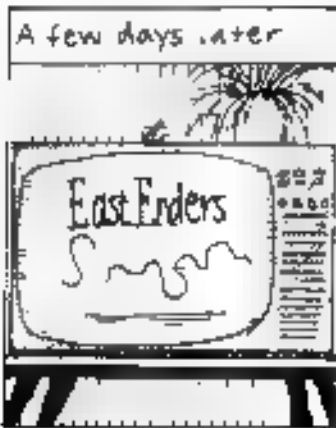
AND JEFF OVER
THERE IS TAKING
ON THE JOB OF
ORGANISING STREET
COLLECTIONS
FOR THE
STRIKE
FUND

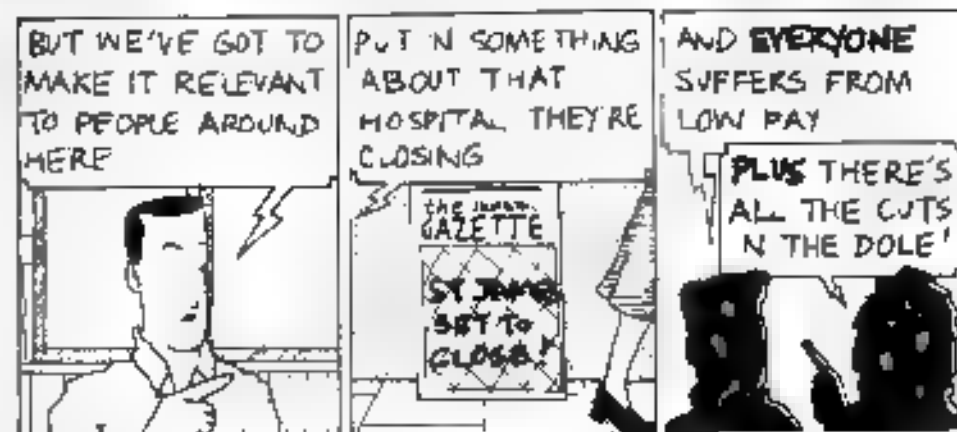
AND I VOTE WE HAVE
MASS MEETINGS
LIKE THIS REGULARLY!

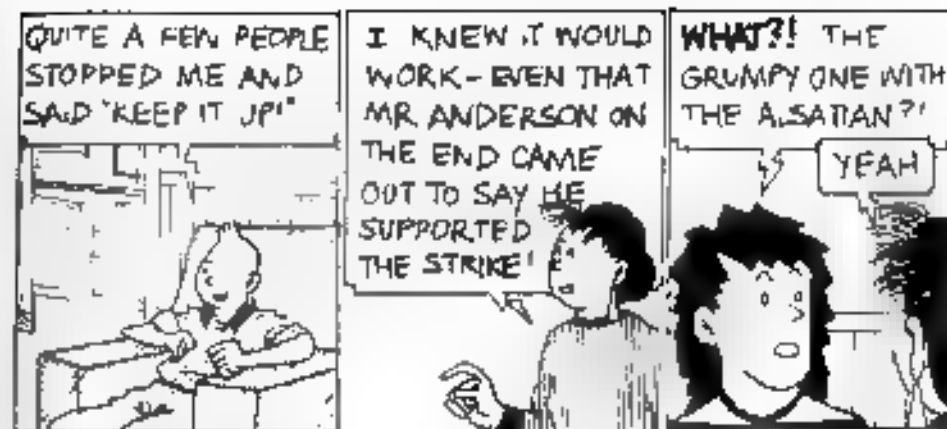
YEAH

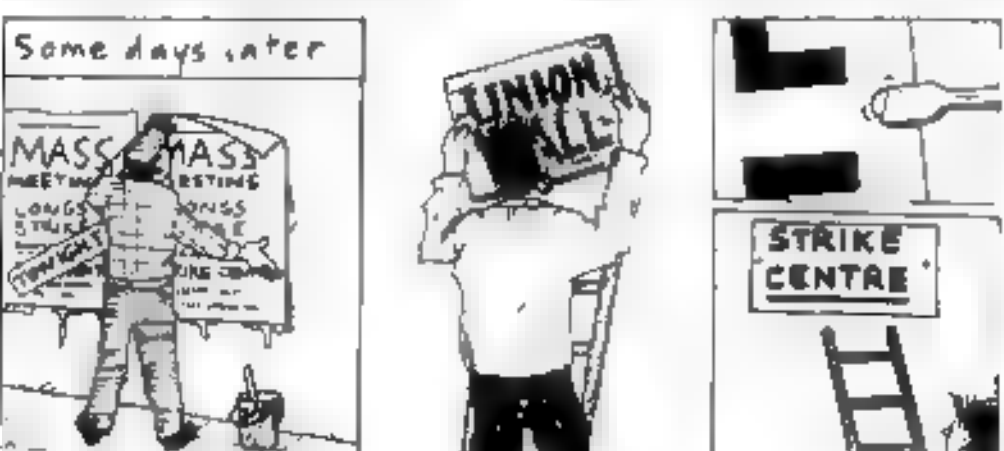
GOOD
IDEA!

HERE WE
GO! HERE
WE GO!
HERE WE
GO!!!









I'M HERE TO SUPPORT
THE STRIKE

**BLOODY
RENTAMOB!!**



AND DEFEND MY
STREET AND THIS
AREA AGAINST BIG
PROPERTY
DEVELOPERS
LIKE LONGS



**PACK IT IN
YOU TWO
THERE'S NO
POINT IN
FIGHTING**



WE ALL AGREED LAST
WEEK THAT ANYONE
WILLING TO FIGHT
ALONGSIDE US IS
WELCOME HERE



**YEH UNITED
WE STAND
DIVIDED
WE FALL!**



I KNOW, JIM, I
KNOW - I JUST
GET **PISSED OFF**
WITH THESE
LEFTNINNERS
AND THEIR
PREVIOUS
BLEEDING
REVOLUTION



**WELL DON'T WE ALL
MATE DON'T WE ALL!**



LOOK WE'RE
RUNNING OUT OF
TIME AND WE
NEED TO SORT
OUT NEXT WEEK'S
PICKETING!



IT'S TIME WE
STARTED TO
PICKET OUT
ALL SUPPLIERS
TO LONGS!



**WHAT'S THE POINT
FRANK? WE
CAN'T EVEN GET
ALL THE LONGS
SITES OUT!**



WE CAN DO BOTH!
I'VE JUST BEEN
GIVEN A MESSAGE
FROM WORKERS AT
WILSONS CONSTRUCTION



**THEY'VE ALL
WALKED OUT IN
SUPPORT OF OUR
FIGHT!**



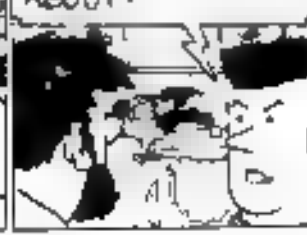
IF IT CARRIES ON
LIKE THIS
**NOTHING WILL
STOP US!**



IT'S ALMOST AS
THOUGH PEOPLE HAVE
BEEN WAITING FOR
SOMETHING LIKE
THIS JIM



THEY HAVE BEEN
MATE THERE'S
A LOT OF ANGER
AND FRUSTRATION
ABOUT!



I SAY WE SHOULD
GET OUT TO **OTHER**
LONGS COMPANIES
AS WE



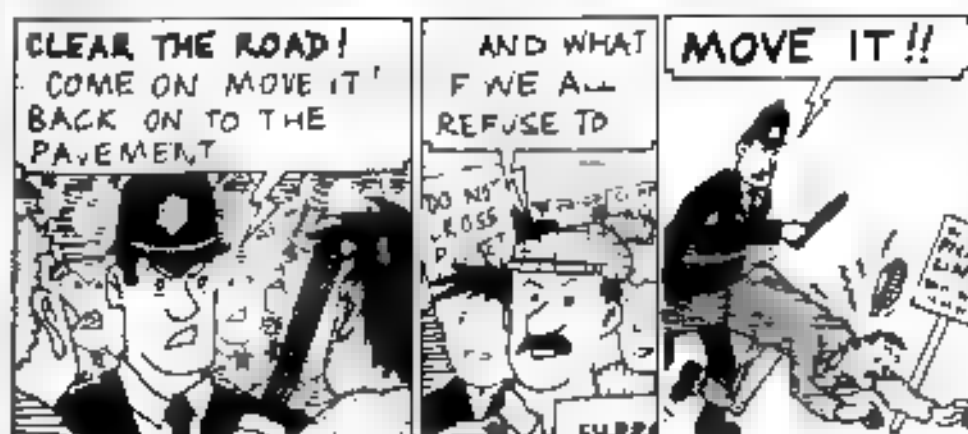
**YEH THEY OWN SOME
BIG TRANSPORT
FIRM**
AND QUITE
A FEW
HOTELS



**THERE'S
THAT
SHIPPING
GROUP**

IF WE APPROACH
THOSE WORKERS
I RECKON
SOME OF'EM
MIGHT WANT TO
COME OUT!!





ALRIGHT-IT'S ALL
CLEAR DOWN AT
THE GATES



YOU SCABBY
BASTARDS!!



GET HIM!



LET HIM GO!

PIGS! BASTARDS

THIS IS CRAZY
IT'S LIKE WATCHING
TELLY ABOUT
NORTHERN IRELAND



YEH, MORE OF
OUR SIDE
NICKED FOR
SWEET F A

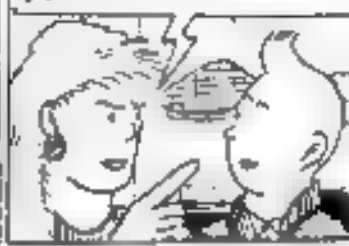
IF I COULD GET
MY HANDS ON
THOSE SCAB
SHITS .. I'D
KILL'EM!!



HANG ON FRANK!
WE'RE WELL
OUTNUMBERED
HERE



TINTIN'S RIGHT
WE NEED TO
FIND OUT WHERE
THE COACH PICKS
UP



HEY, I'VE GOT
A GOOD ZOOM
LENS ON MY
CAMERA



WITH PHOTOS WE CAN
START PUTTING NAMES
TO FACES



BUT WE'VE STILL
GOT TO STOP
THEM GETTING
IN HERE

THIS IS THE
SITE THAT
STARTED IT
ALL OFF



AND I RECK
LONGS ARE
BANKING ON
THE STRIKE
BEING BROKE
HERE FIRST



YEH, WE'VE HAD
NO REPORTS OF
SCABS ON ANY
OTHER SITES YET

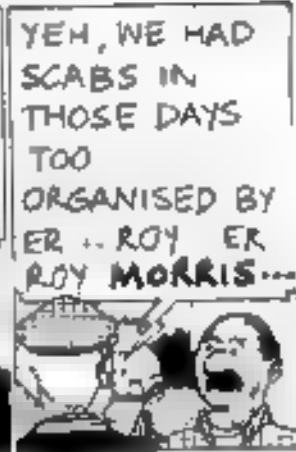


BUT IF WE DON'T
STOP'EM SOON,
PEOPLE WILL
START LOSING
INTEREST



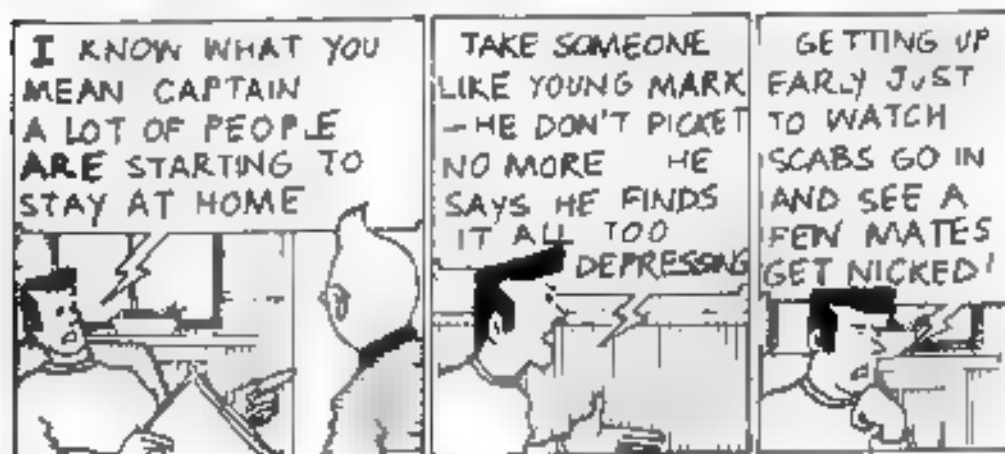
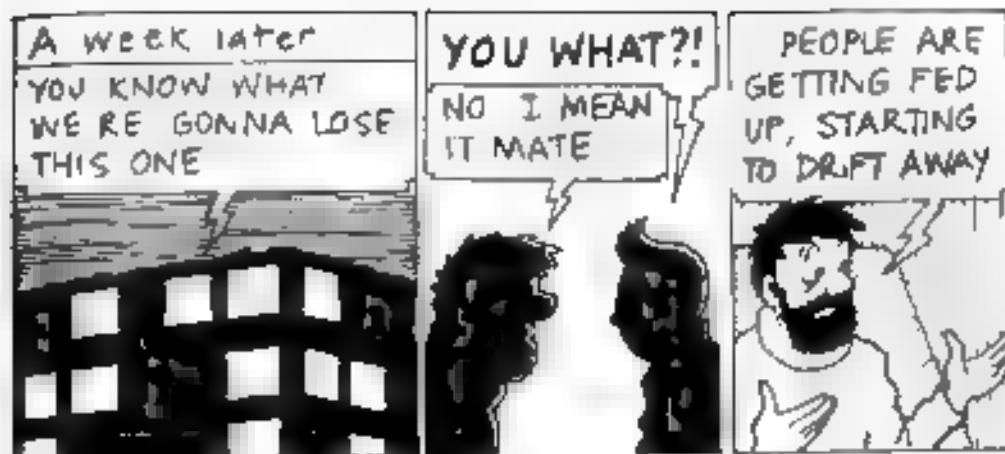
..BUT HOW DO
DO THAT DES,
WHEN THEY'RE
SURROUNDED
HUNDREDS OF
PIGS?!

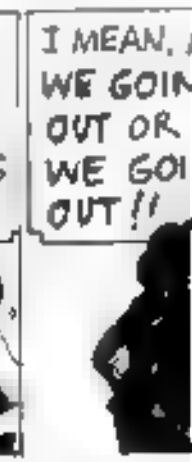


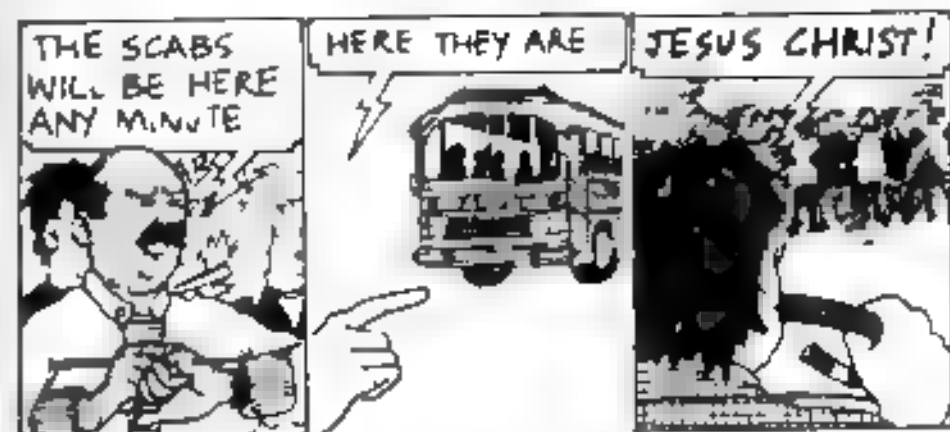


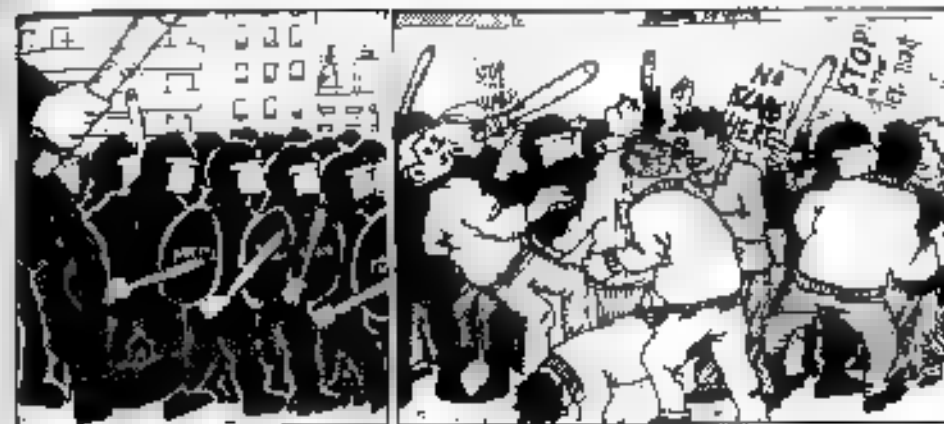
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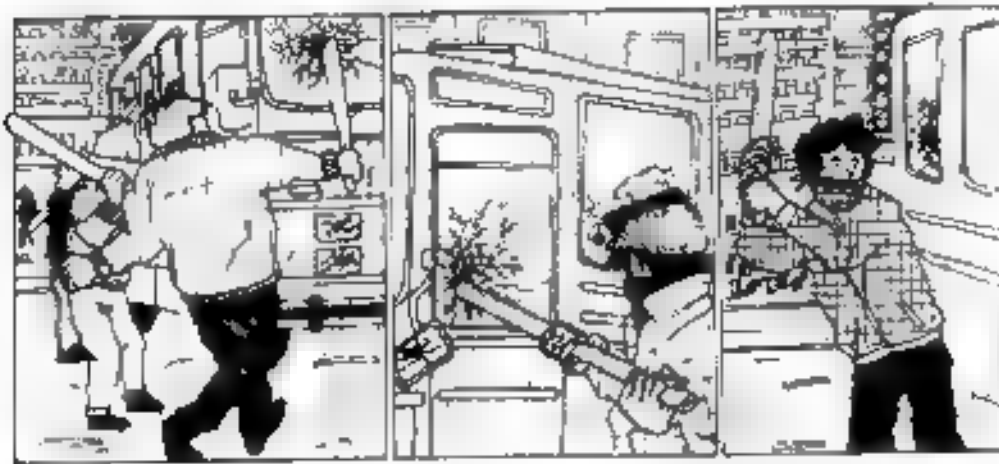












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NUMBER ONE

STRIKE CENTRE (Old Union Building) BROOKLANDS ROAD

This is the first issue of a newsletter for Longs strikers. We hope to bring it out once a week, or maybe even more regularly. We welcome all contributions, especially details of pickets, meetings, collections.

THIS STRIKE INVOLVES US ALL. IT INVOLVES THE WORKERS SACKED AT DERBY ROAD. IT INVOLVES ALL THE WORKERS ON OTHER SITES WHO ARE NOW THREATENED WITH THE SACK. IT INVOLVES ALL THE WORKERS IN OTHER LONGS COMPANIES, LIKE TRANSPORT & SHIPPING, WHO WILL BE NEXT FOR THE CHOP. IT INVOLVES ALL WORKERS EVERYWHERE WHO WILL BE SQUEEZED EVEN MORE IF THIS STRIKE FAILS. IT INVOLVES EVERYONE IN THIS AREA WHO IS FED UP OF SEEING LONGS BUILD LUXURY FLATS FOR THE RICH, WHILE THOUSANDS ARE HOMELESS AND ST. JAMES HOSPITAL IS CLOSED FOR LACK OF MONEY... IT IS A STRIKE WE CAN WIN IF WE ALL STAND TOGETHER - SOLIDARITY IS STRENGTH!

■ At the time of writing, the strike has entered its 8th week. With each day victory draws closer. Already all major Longs sites have been totally closed down. The way to win is to stand together and FIGHT! The Longs management have nothing to offer us. They've sacked us, they've blacklisted us, they've thrown the full weight of the cops against us... BUT WE WON'T GO AWAY! We'll be outside those gates until we win...

ALAN JONES - GO TO HELL!

■ We want nothing from the union and that's the way it's been for three years ago, when the union was full of trusting the... we want...

THAT'S BRILLIANT
DES! HERE YOU
ARE CHRIS



HOW MANY DID
YOU PRINT?

JUST OVER
FIVE
THOUSAND.



THIS IS GREAT!
WE CAN SHIFT
LOADS AT THE
MASS PICKET
ON MONDAY!



AND I'VE GOT A
BIT OF GOOD NEWS
AS WELL



THE WORD IS
THAT LONGS ARE
NOW BEING
BLACKED BY
ENOUGH SUPPLIERS



WHAT, SO NO
MATERIALS
ARE GETTING
THROUGH?



THAT'S FANTASTIC
NEWS



OH I DON'T
KNOW

I DON'T MATTER
THAT MUCH - EVEN
IF THEY GET
GOODS DELIVERED



THEY'LL HAVE
NO BLOODY
SCABS WORKING
TODAY!!!



The next evening

THE SWAN



FREE HOUSE

GOD, IT MAKES
A CHANGE TO GET
OUT FOR ONCE



YEH, WE HAVEN'
BEEN OUT
MUCH, HAVE WE



APART FROM
BLOODY
MEETINGS



YOU KNOW, I REALLY
APPRECIATE TWIN
LOOKING AFTER
SHARON TONIGHT..



YEH THAT LAD
NEVER CEASES
TO AMAZE ME



JUST THE OTHER
DAY, HE WAS
HIYA DES!



ALRIGHT! YOU OK?
WE'RE FINE
LOVE!.. AND YOU?



I'M SORT OF OK
I SUPPOSE
EXCEPT I'VE
JUST HAD A
ROW WITH
MANDY,
MY LOVER





THE FUNNY THING
IS THAT A FEW
MONTHS AGO I'D
HAVE FOUND ALL
THIS DEAD BORING



BUT SINCE THIS
WHOLE STRIKE THING
STARTED I JUST
CAN'T FIND OUT
ENOUGH!!!



YEH I USED
TO HATE
THIS STORY
WHEN I
WAS AT
SCHOOL...



ALL THAT CRAP ABOUT
KINGS AND QUEENS,
AND WHAT SOME
BIGGIE SAID IN
PARLIAMENT IN 836.



YEH, BUT YOU'VE GOT
TO KNOW WHERE
YOU'RE COMING FROM
IF YOU WANT TO
KNOW WHERE YOU'RE
GOING



WELL I KNOW
WHERE I'M
GOING UP
TO THE BAR!
SAME AGAIN
LOVE?



WHAT'S HAPPENING
NOW IS REALLY
BIG MUCH BIGGER
THAN IN '74 OR '79



I CAN'T BELIEVE
IT THOUGH A
FEW WEEKS AGO
IT WAS JUST ONE
BUILDING SITE



AND NOW IT'S
GROWING FASTER
THAN DAVE'S
BEER BELLY!!



EVEN ON THE BUSES
THERE'S LOADS OF
FRUSTRATION AND
ANGER BUILDING
UP



AND WHEN IT
EVENTUALLY
EXPLODES THE
UNIONS WON'T HAVE
A HOPE IN HELL
OF CONTROLLING IT



OK WE'VE DITCHED
THE UNIONS BUT
WE STILL NEED
ORGANISATION
WITH DAVE!



WELL THERE'S THE
STRIKE SUPPORT
NETWORK.



AND IN LIVERPOOL
THEY'VE JUST SET
UP A REGIONAL
STRIKE CO-ORDINATION
CENTRE



WHY HAVEN'T
WE GOT
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT
HERE?



WE'RE SORTING IT
OUT AT THE
DELEGATES MEETING
TOMORROW NIGHT



WHAT?! YOU OFF TO
ANOTHER MEETING?
ERR AFRAID SO



HOW COME
YOU GET
TO HAVE ALL
THE FUN!!





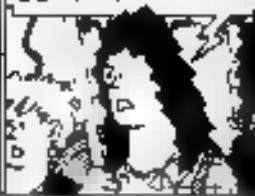
YEH BUT THIS AIN'T
A GAY LIBERATION
DEMO— THIS S A
PICKET LINE....



AND WE DON'T WANT
YOUR SORT ROUND
HERE



I'M A LESB AN
AND I
SUPPORT TH S
STRIKE— THERE
AIN T NO
CONTRADICTION!



WE'VE BEEN DOWN
HERE LOADS OF
TIMES —YOU'RE ONLY
MOANING NOW COS
WE'VE BROUGHT A
BANNER



LOOK JACK - YOU
ALWAYS GO ON AT
THE GAZETTE FOR
BEING PREJUDICED
AGAINST THE STRIKE,
DON'T YOU?



BUT T'S OK
FOR YOU TO BE
PREJUDICED
AGAINST
NICKY....



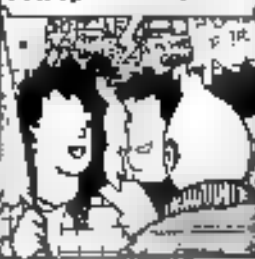
ANYWAY WE'RE
STAYING — IF YOU
DON'T LIKE IT, THAT'S
YOUR PROBLEM !!



NICE ONE NICKY!
YOU TELL HIM!



OH H: TINTIN!
CREEPS LIKE
THAT REALLY
WIND ME UP!!



I MEAN WHAT THE
HELL IS HE DOING
DOWN HERE, EH??



T'S BAD ENOUGH
HAVING TO GO TO
A 'RESTART'
INTERVIEW THIS
MORNING



WITHOUT BEING
HASSLED HERE
BY JERKS
LIKE THAT !



AND THEN I'VE
KEVIN! A-RIGHT!



OH THANKS A
BUNDLE FOR
LISTENING,
TINTIN !!



T'S THE SAME
WITH CAPTAIN,
NICKY



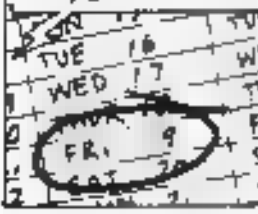
THE ONLY TIME I
SEE HIM THESE
DAYS IS SPEAKING
ON A PLATFORM



AND F I GET
TO SEE HIM
ALONE, IT'S
JUST STRIKE
STRIKE STRIKE!



AND TO CAP
T ALL, I
SHOULD HAVE
COME ON 3
DAYS AGO!



YEH SOMETIMES
IT SEEMS LIKE
NOTHING'S WORTH
IT



NOT EVEN THIS
BLOODY STRIKE
WHAT'S THE
POINT OF IT IF



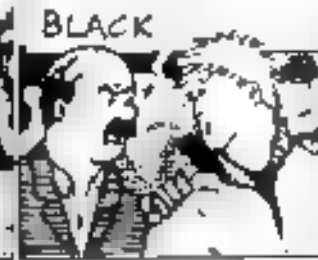
WAKE UP AT THE
END THE COPS
ARE ON THE
MOVE



OII!! YOU BLACK
BASTARD!! WHY
DON'T YOU, FUCK
OFF HOME!!



SHUT YER MOUTH
YOU OR I'LL
SHUT IT FOR
YOU!! I'M
BLACK



AND I AINT NO
BASTARD THAT
THERE'S A
COP.



AND THAT'S
THE WORST
RESULT OF ALL



IT DON'T MATTER
WHAT COLOUR
YOU ARE - IT'S
WHICH SIDE
YOU'RE ON...



SCABS!



WE'RE BLOCKED
IN AGAIN!



IT'S LIKE THIS
EVERY TIME
GOD I HATE IT!!



CHEER UP NICKY!
THIS STRIKE'S
THE BEST LAUGH
ANY OF US HAVE
HAD FOR AGES!!



BASTARDS!
SCABS!



WANKERS!
SCUM!



BASTARDS!

DON'T WORRY-
THEIR TIME
WILL COME!





AND THERES A CHANCE
THAT TRANSPORT
WORKERS IN THE
LONGS CHAIN WILL
COME OUT NEXT
WEEK.



WHICH WILL MEAN
US GETTING OUT
TO SUPPORT
THEIR PICKET



PLUS WE'VE GOT
STRIKES OVER
PAY AND CASUAL
LABOUR ARE
SPREADING AT
THE POST OFFICE!



AND AT LAST WE'VE
SORTED OUT A WAY
OF GETTING ALL
STRIKERS TOGETHER.



AN ORGANISATION
CALLED REGIONAL
STRIKE CO-ORDIN-
ATION HAS BEEN
SET UP - AND IT'S
OPEN TO ANYBODY!!



MY GOD ALAN
IT'S REALLY
SPREADING



IT'S AMAZING
WE'RE REALLY
BEGINNING TO
WIN!



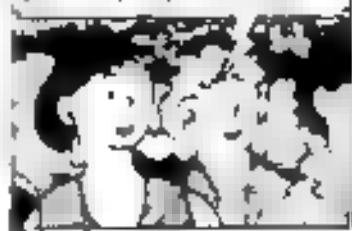
WE'VE STILL GOT
LOTS OF MONEY
COMING IN BUT ALL
THE NEW STRIKERS
WILL NEED MONEY



WE NEED TO STEP
UP COLLECTIONS
IT'S NOT JUST
LONGS ANY MORE -
IT'S GETTING
BIGGER EVERY DAY!



WE'VE GOT TO STICK
TOGETHER EVEN
MORE AS IT GETS
BIGGER, IT'S GONNA
GET HARDER



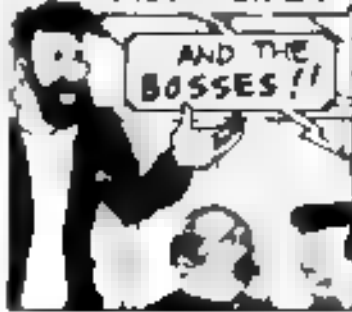
WE'RE ALL GOING
THROUGH HARD
TIMES, BUT I'D
JUST LIKE TO
SAY



THAT I'D RATHER
DIE ON MY
FEET THAN
LIVE ON MY
KNEES.



WE'LL HOPEFULLY
NO-ONE WILL DIE
EXCEPT SCABS!



BUT WE HAVE
GOT A LOT OF
HARD GRAFT
TO DO DES
HAS PRINTED UP
SOME POSTERS



THERE'S ONE
ABOUT THE STRIKE
AND ONE FOR
THE BIG DEMO
COMING UP ON
THE 20TH



SO CAN YOU ALL
TAKE SOME AND
GET 'EM STUCK UP
ALL OVER



PSST!! I'M DYING
FOR A PINT DO
YOU FANCY ONE?



YEH LET'S GO.





IT'S NO GAME -
WE'VE GOT TO PUT
THE FUCKING BOOT
IN - HARD!



DO YOU KNOW
THE LAYOUT OF
THE SITE ?



YEH OF
COURSE



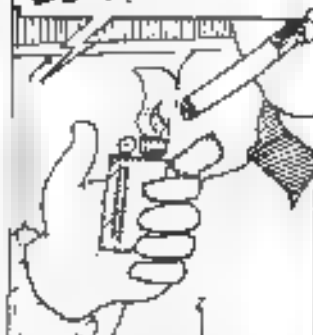
WELL THEN ?



WELL... WHAT?



DO YOU WANNA
DO IT?



WHAT BURN IT?
YEAH



YEAH! WHY NOT
THOSE BASTARDS
DESERVE IT



OK LET'S GO
OUTSIDE - I
DON'T LIKE
TALKING IN
PUBS



A few nights ater
you know, I'M SURE
WE GOT FOLLOWED
HOME TONIGHT



I BET THEY'RE
DRAWING UP LISTS
OF PEOPLE RIGHT
NOW



THEY'VE HAD
LISTS FOR
YEARS LOVE



I MEAN THEY'VE
BEEN PRACTISING
N NORTHERN
IRELAND FOR THIS
SORT OF THING



ARE YOU OK
LOVE ?



OH I JUST KEEP
THINKING ABOUT
CHARLIE IT'S HIS
FIRST NIGHT IN
PR SON



TWELVE MONTHS!
AND HE NEVER
TOUCHED THAT
COPPER



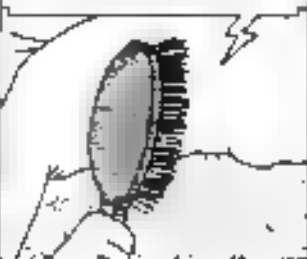
SO THE COPS LIE
TO PUT P.C.KETS
IN PR SON -
WHAT'S NEW?!



WE'RE DOING A
SPECIAL COLLECTION
IN THE HIGH STREET
FOR HIS FAMILY



AND THERE'S A
MARCH TO THE
PRISON TOMORROW
LUNCHTIME



WHAT'S GOING
TO HAPPEN
NEXT?



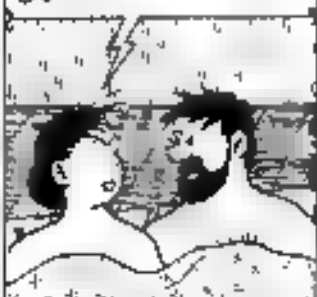
WE'RE UP AGAINST
SOMETHING SO
BIG!



AND IT'S GOING
TO GET WORSE
I JUST
KNOW IT



WE'RE NOT DOING
TOO BADLY - WE'VE
GOT



WE HAVEN'T
EVEN **STARTED**
YET, LOVE!!



THERE WAS THIS
THING ON Telly
THE OTHER DAY
ABOUT THE
ENVIRONMENT



WE'RE DESTROYING
THIS WORLD, BUT
BY BIT



IT'S NOT **US** LOVE
IT'S NOT **US** WHO
ARE DOING ALL THAT!



IT DON'T REALLY
MATTER WHO
IT IS



THE POINT IS
EVEN IF WE
WIN THIS
STRIKE



EVEN IF WE WERE
OUT LONGS AND
ALL THEIR MATES



AND **EVEN IF**
WE CHANGE THE
WHOLE BLOODY
SYSTEM



WHAT'S GONNA
BE LEFT OF THE
WORLD FOR US
AND SHARON?



GOD, I'M T RED,
T RED OF IT ALL!



HOW
T RED ARE
YOU, LOVE?



NOT THAT T RED I GUESS



MEANWHILE SOMEWHERE
HAVE YOU GOT THE
STUFF?



YEH, GALLONS
OF IT. I'VE
WIPED ALL THE
PRINTS OFF



OK LET'S GO!
THE MOTORS
AROUND THE
CORNER



WHEN DID YOU
NICK IT?



THIS AFTER-
NOON

IT WAS A PIECE
OF PISS! JUST
LIKE THE OLD
DAYS!



GOD I FEEL SO
NERVOUS



SO DO I - I COULDN'T
EAT ME DINNER



YOU STILL WANNA
DO IT?



YOU BET!

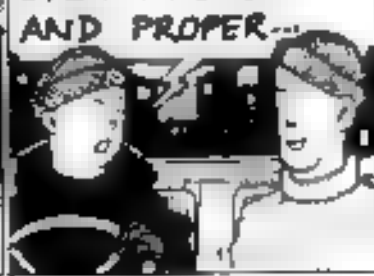
OK - LET'S GO!!



THIS IS SERIOUS
STUFF - ABOUT 5
YEARS IF WE GET
CAUGHT



I'M TIRED OF TALK
DES - I JUST WANT
TO FUCK THOSE
BASTARDS GOOD
AND PROPER...



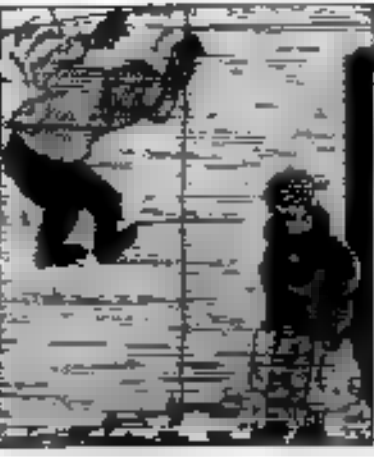
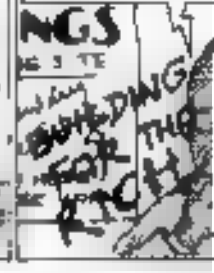
YOU'VE GOT TO
A BURNING
LOVE FOR
THEM TINT



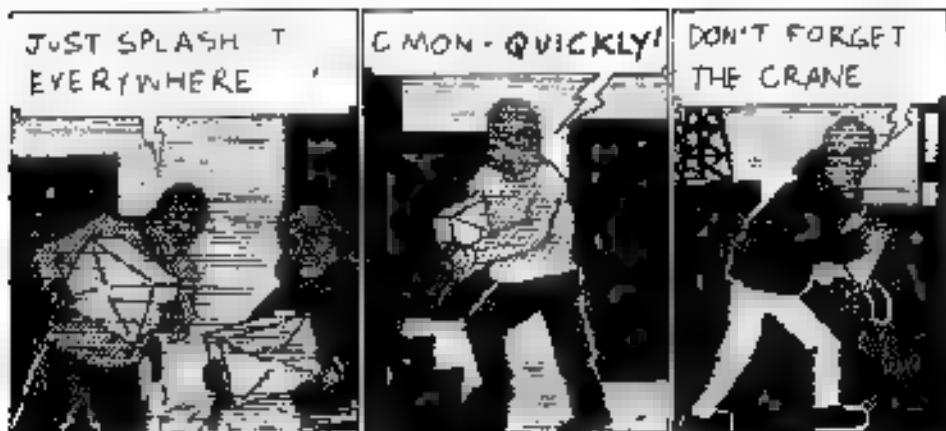
I'LL PARK ROUND
THE BACK - IT'S
EASER TO GET
OVER THE FENCE



THIS IS IT.
TIME TO PU
DOWN THE
BALACLAVA



THE HUTS A
THIS WAY





STAY COOL MATE
- WE'VE GOT TO
HIT 'EM EVERY WAY
WE CAN!



AND PERSONALLY
I'D LIKE TO BUY
WHOEVER DID IT A
COUPLE OF DRINKS!



OK OK OK
YOU WIN !!



ANYWAY IS THERE
ANY MORE NEWS
ABOUT THE DEMO?



YEH I WENT TO THE
REGIONAL STRIKE
CO-ORDINATION
MEETING LAST
NIGHT. IT'S
GONNA BE
MASSIVE!



THERE'S
PEOPLE
COMING FROM
ALL OVER
THE COUNTRY!



AND THERE'S THE
PRISON MARCH IN
A FEW HOURS
TIME



YEH, I THINK
MARY'S SORTING
THAT OUT NEXT
DOOR



IT'S REALLY
BUILDING UP
ISN'T IT



WHAT I WANT TO
KNOW IS WHERE
WILL IT ALL END??



WELL LONGS AIN'T
INTERESTED IN
NEGOTIATION, SO
GOD KNOWS



I HEARD THAT
BRITISH RAIL
ARE GONNA
OFFER THE R
WORKERS 12%

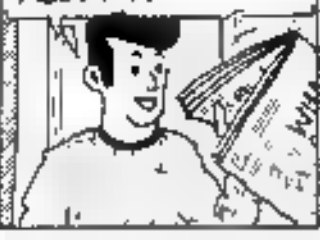


HA! THEY'RE RUNNING
SCARED - BUYING
THEIR WAY OUT OF
TROUBLE



BLOODY DIVIDE
AND RULE

YEH BUT THE
WORD IS THAT
THE WORKERS
AIN'T TOO HAPPY
ABOUT IT



I MET
PETE DALEY
AND



HELLO, STRIKE
CENTRE YEH.
YEH SURE
ABOUT HALF
AN HOUR? OK!



THAT WAS COLIN JACKSON
FROM THE POST WORKERS
-MANAGEMENT HAS
THREATENED 'EM WITH
THE SACK FOR BLACKING
LONGS MAIL. CAN YOU
TWO GO OVER?



YESSIR!!
WE'RE ON
OUR WAY
SIR!



AND SO LATER

AND THAT'S THE
MANAGEMENT
POSITION



EITHER STOP THE
ACTION OR GET
THE SACK



SO WHAT'S THE
UNION LINE
COLIN?



WELL THEY SAY THE BLAING
'S "ILLEGAL" AND
HELL!



HA! WILL THE
BASTARDS
NEVER
LEARN!!?



THING IS
WE'VE GOT
A LOT OF
GRIEVANCES
OF OUR OWN..



Y'KNOW, LOW PAY, LONG
HOURS, CASUAL LABOUR
ALL THE USUAL STUFF



ALL THIS
LONGS THING
HAS DONE IS
BRING IT ALL
TO A HEAD



I RECKON WE'LL
BE OUT ON
ALL-OUT
STRIKE BY
TOMORROW.



BUT IT'D BE GOOD
TO HAVE SOME
LONGS STRIKERS
DOWN HERE



YEH, I'LL SPEAK
GREAT! THE
MEETING'S
AT THREE



I'LL TRY TO
TIM OR ANN
DOWN TO TALK
ABOUT REGIONAL
STRIKE
CO-ORDINATION



THEY CAN GIVE A
FULLER PICTURE
OF WHAT'S
GOING ON



BRILLIANT! AS
I SAID, MOST OF
THE LADS ARE
SPOILING FOR A
FIGHT



AND THE UNION
GOT SOD-ALL
CREDIBILITY LEFT
AFTER THE '87
AND '88 DEALS



DON'T FORGET TO BRING
ALONG POSTERS FOR
THE BIG DEMO ON
THE 20th



IT SHOULD BE
A GOOD UN!



DON'T YOU WORRY
MATE, IT WILL BE
IT WILL BE!



CHAPTER • FOUR

GETTING SERIOUS



Some days ater
WHAT A BASTARD!
THOSE BA-
COND T ONS



IT S JUST THE
SAME AS IN
THE MINERS
STRIKE TERRY



F I EVER GET ME
HANDS ON THAT
MAG STRATE,
CANHAM



NO MORE BLOODY
PICKETING .. I'M
SO PISSED OFF!



A STRIKE AIN'T
JUST ABOUT
PICKETING



DON'T FORGET
ALL THE OTHER
WORK WE'VE
GOT TO DO



LIKE WHAT?
WELL, FOLDING
ALL THESE FOR
A START



PUTTING FOOD
PARCELS
TOGETHER
GETTING MONEY
TO RUN THIS
PLACE



MONEY DON'T
GROW ON TREES,
YOU KNOW





A LOT OF PEOPLE
WERE RELIEVED
WHEN THEY WERE
KICKED OFF



BUT WE'VE
GOT TO TAKE IT
FURTHER



YOU KNOW
MAKE **ALL** THE
ESTATES **NO-GO**
AREAS FOR
MUGGERS



...AND RAPISTS!



IF WE DO THAT DES
WE'VE GOT TO START
THINKING OF GETTING
FOOD TO PENSIONERS
AND THE DISABLED



WHAT?
"REVOLUTIONARY
MEALS ON
WHEELS"?!



YEH **WHY NOT?**
IT'S OK TO HAVE
THESE GREAT
DEAS



BUT FOR SOME
PEOPLE A NO-GO
AREA MEANS EVEN
MORE HARDSHIP.



SHIT YEH,
I'D NEVER
THOUGHT OF
THAT



YEAH ME GRAN
CAN HARDLY
GET OUT THESE
DAYS



SHE **DEPENDS** ON
HER HOME HELP
AND HER MEALS
ON WHEELS



THERE YOU GO
THEN TEL -
THERE'S A JOB
FOR YOU.



I CAN SEE IT NOW -
"TEL'S MEALS
ON WHEELS"!



HEY THAT AIN'T
A BAD DEA
CAROLE



WELL, MAKE
SURE THAT IT
GETS TO BE MORE
THAN AN DEA



I'LL BRING IT UP
TOMORROW NIGHT!
DON'T YOU WORRY!



YOU'RE RIGHT - WE'VE
GOT TO BACK UP
OUR ACTIONS WITH
REAL SUPPORT

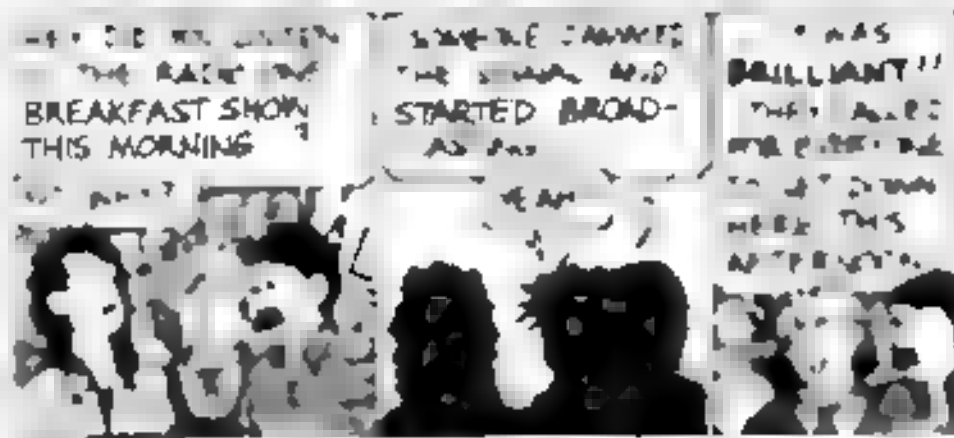


IT'S NOT AS
IF IT'S NEW -
IT'S WHAT
WE'VE ALWAYS
DONE





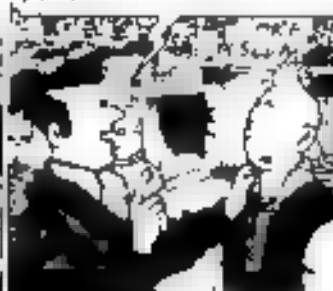




THERE YOU ARE
WHAT HAVE I
DONE WRONG
NOW?



NOTHING MATE -
I JUST WANTED TO
ASK



IF YOU'VE HEARD
FROM CAPTAIN
AND MARY AT
ALL?



OH YEH THEY RANG
LAST NIGHT - THEY
WERE COMING HOME
THIS MORNING



HEY DID YOU
SEE LAST
NIGHT'S PAPER?



WHAT THOSE
FUCKING HUGE
RIOTS IN POLAND?
GREAT STUFF!!



AND STRIKES ALL
OVER YUGOSLAVIA
PLUS GOD KNOWS
WHAT ELSE THEY'RE
NOT TELLING US



I TELL YOU MATE
SOMETHING'S
REALLY HAPPENING!



WHAT'S ALL
THIS ABOUT
ALAN JONES
EH, HUSSAIN?



OH, IT'S GREAT -
THE UNION'S
GIVEN HIM THE
PUSH AT LAST



EH? THEY'RE A BIT
BLOODY LATE - WE
GAVE HIM THE PUSH
3 MONTHS AGO!!



WHAT ARE THEY
GONNA DO?
REPLACE HIM
WITH ANOTHER
USELESS
WINDBAG?!



NAH! I HEARD THAT
THIS NEW BLOKE
DAVE MILLS IS
ALRIGHT



DON'T YOU BELIEVE
IT HUSSAIN!
THEY'RE JUST
TRYING TO BUY
US OFF!



BUT I WAS
MILLS WHO
PUSHED THE TUC
INTO CALLING A
ONE-DAY STRIKE
NEXT WEEK



OH SO THAT MAKES
HIM A GOOD BLOKE
EH?



WELL, OF COURSE
A ONE-DAY STRIKE
WON'T CHANGE
ANYTHING BUT



IT'S TOO LITTLE,
TOO LATE FOR
CHRIST'S SAKE,
HALF THE
COUNTRY'S ON
STRIKE ALREADY!



MMM YEH I SUPPOSE
IT'S THE FIRST
THING THE TUC HAS
TRIED TO DO SINCE
THE STRIKE STARTED



ACH!! THEY NEVER
DO ANYTHING
EXCEPT SIT ON
THEIR OVERPAD
ARSES!



LEFT AND RIGHT
MILLS AND
JONES, THEY'RE
ALL A BUNCH
OF WANKERS!



PHEN! WE MUST BE
ALMOST THERE - WE'VE
BEEN WALKING FOR
OVER AN HOUR



DON'T WORRY,
DAD - DERBY
ROAD'S JUST
BEHIND THIS
ESTATE



BLOODY HELL! THE
OLD B - THERE'S
THOUSANDS OF 'EM!



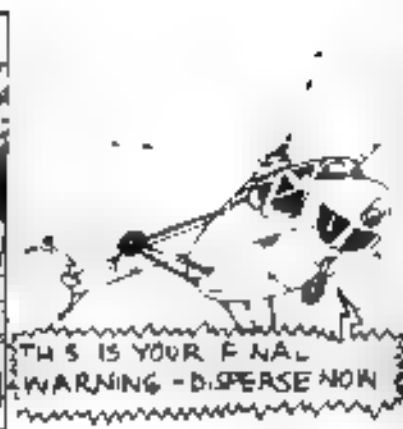
SOMETHING TELLS
ME THEY AIN'T
GONNA LET US
GET NEAR THE SITE
TODAY

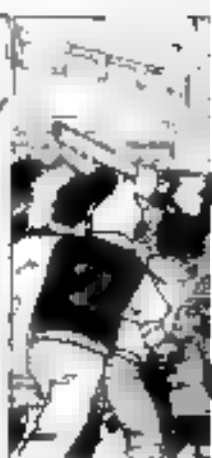
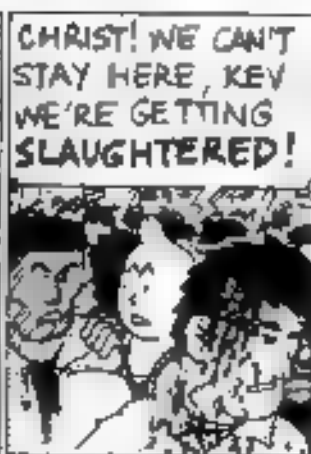
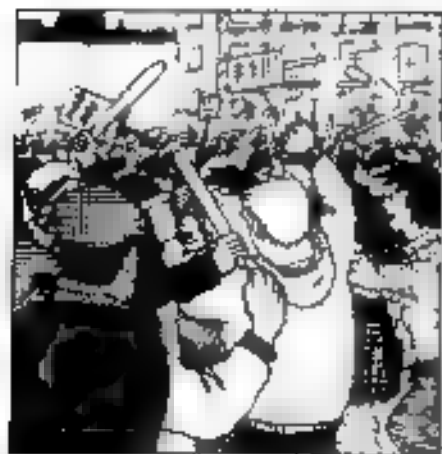


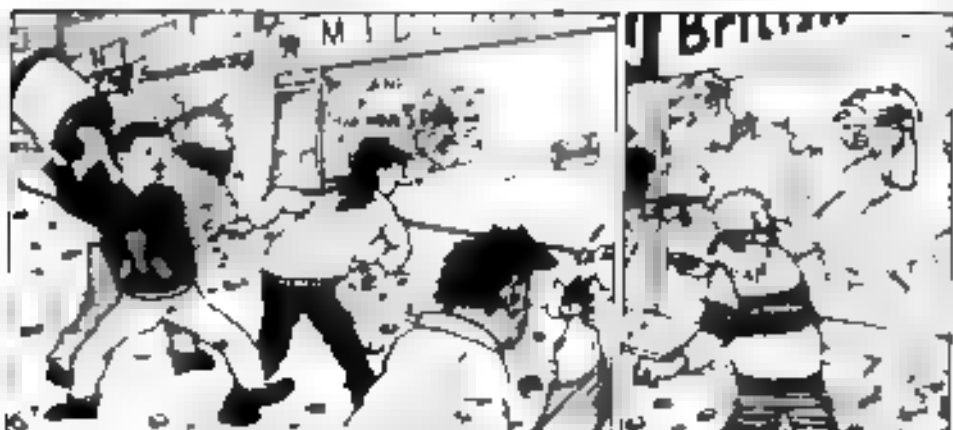
I THINK YOU
MIGHT JUST BE
RIGHT LOVE



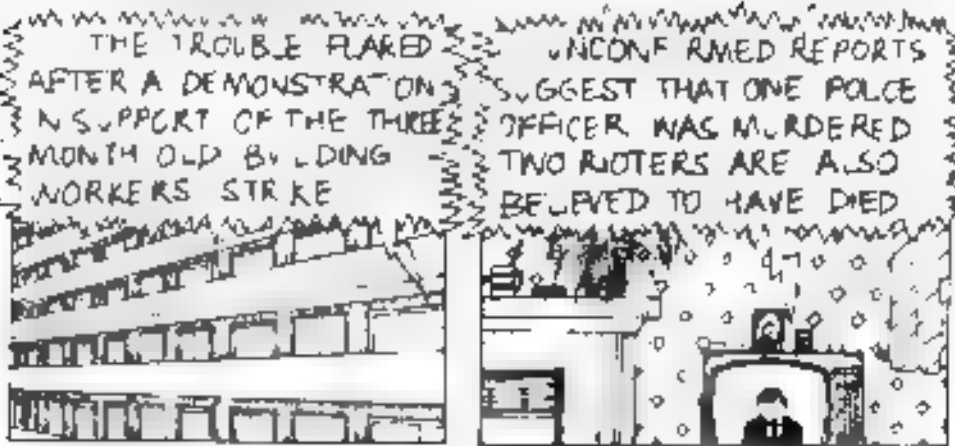
LOOK! UP THERE!



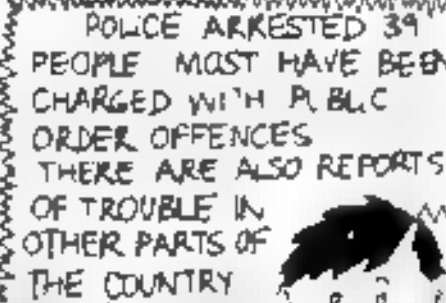




THE GOVERNMENT HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO
TIGHTEN THE LAW ON DEMONSTRATIONS FOLLOWING
LAST NIGHT'S VIOLENCE



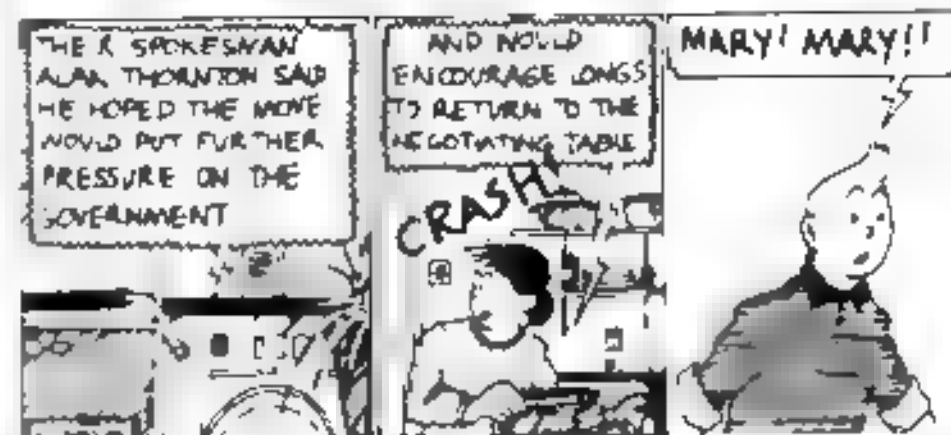
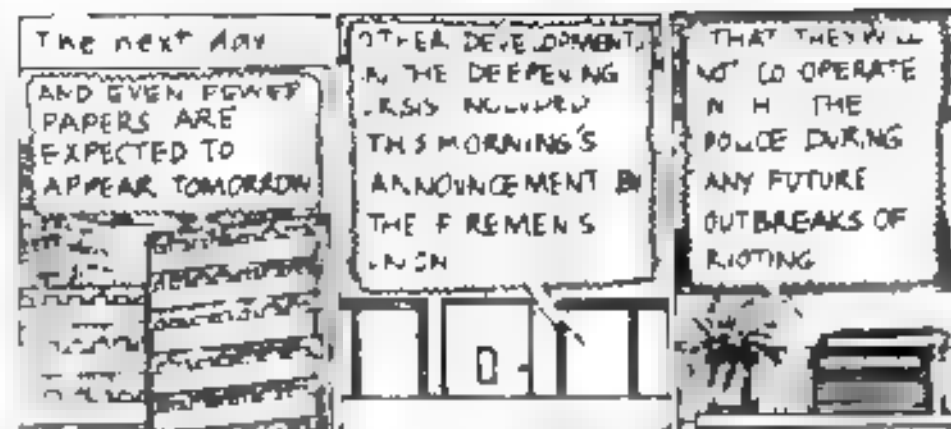
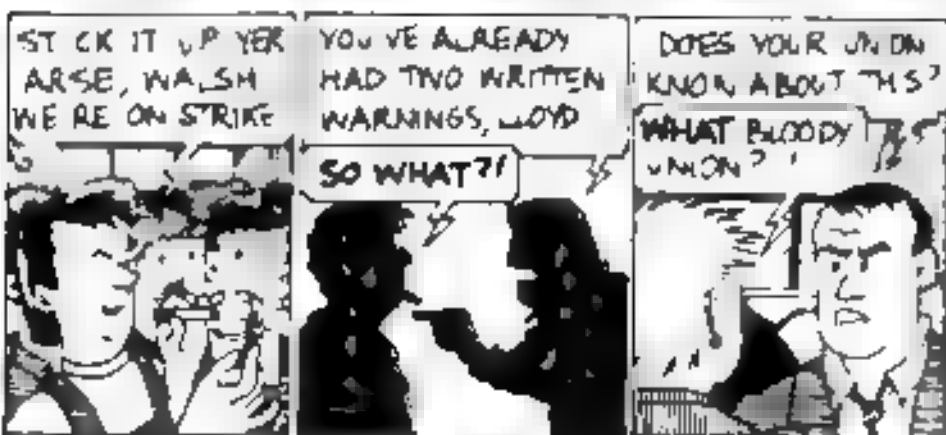
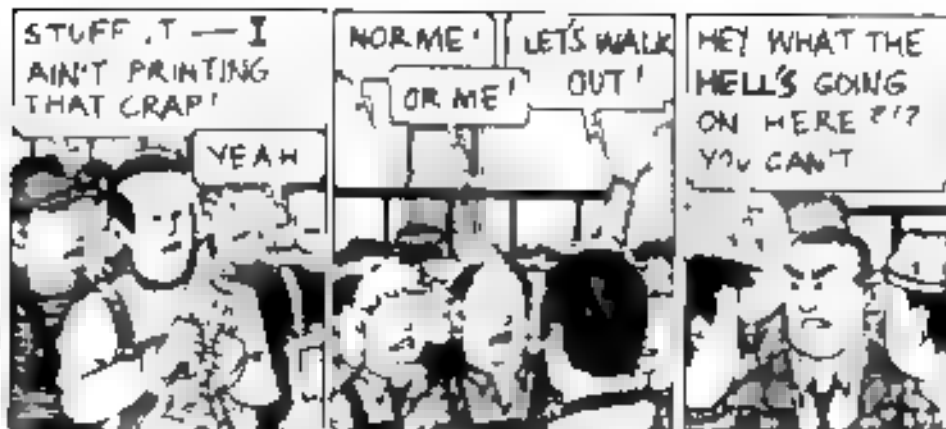
UNCONFIRMED REPORTS
SUGGEST THAT ONE POLICE
OFFICER WAS MURDERED
TWO RIOTERS ARE ALSO
REPORTED TO HAVE DIED



HEY HAVE YOU READ
THIS ?

Mail
V A F A
F L
R D. C. N. Y.
P.O. BOX 100000







WHAT PARTICULARLY WORRIES ME ARE THESE SO CALLED REGIONAL STRIKE CO-ORDINATIONS



HMPH DAMN S. BYERS YES

I QUITE AGREE GENERAL BUT THE TRUTH IS WE'VE NEVER FACED THIS LEVEL OF ORGANISATION BEFORE



WHAT SCARES ME IS THE TOTAL LACK OF UNION REPRESENTATION ON THESE RSCs



IT'S THE COMMUNISTS S R ROBERT THEY'VE STIRRED UP THE WORKERS AGAINST THE UNIONS



THE RSCs WILL HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH US AT TRANSPORT HOUSE



I THINK IT'S ABOUT BLOODY TIME YOU STOPPED SMIVELLING AND DID SOMETHING TO GET YOUR MEN BACK UNDER CONTROL !!



OR ELSE WE'LL HAVE TO START CONSIDERING MORE SEVERE MEASURES



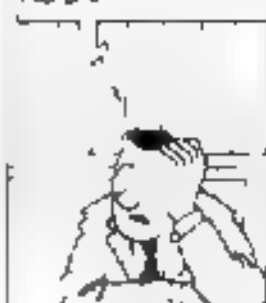
WITH RESPECT GENERAL, WE HAVE ALREADY PASSED THAT STAGE



THE RSCs HAVE PROVED TO BE A V ALE FORM OF ORGANISATION I CAN SEE NO ROLE FOR THE UNIONS.



ERR THAT'S A B T HARSH S R ROBERT



YOU'VE MISSED THE POINT - THE SHEEP HAVE DESERTED THEIR SHEPHERD!!



BUT BUT WE'RE STILL A CHANNEL FOR NEGOTIATION NEGOTIATION?



DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH! THERE ARE BARRICADES IN THE STREET AND YOU'RE TALKING OF NEGOTIATION?!!



AND SIR DAVID? YOUR THOUGHTS?



WELL I AGREE THAT THE TIME FOR TALK HAS PASSED



I MEAN WE CAN'T POSSIBLY OFFER THEM EVEN HALF OF WHAT THEY'RE DEMANDING



AND THEY'RE MAKING NEW DEMANDS ALL THE TIME! HOW ABOUT DIVIDING THEM?



WE'VE TRIED THAT AND FAILED, MINISTER!



YOU SEE THESE RSCs
ARE UNITING ALL THE
STRIKERS IN A WAY
WE'VE NEVER SEEN
BEFORE



YES, SIR, BUT
WE TRIED A
DIFFERENT
APPROACH



ER YES, SIR, DAVID
WE HAVE MADE
PLANS FOR THIS
EVENTUALITY
GENERAL?



MY BOYS CAN
DELIVER, BUT
EVEN WE ARE
UNDER PRESSURE



NATO IS FULLY
TIED UP WITH
THE UNREST IN
ITALY AND
FRANCE



AND IF SOUTH
KOREA SPREADS
WE... WE WOULD
BE SEVERELY
STRETCHED!



AND WHEN IT BE
FRANK THERE'S A
GROWING QUESTION
MARK OVER THE
LOYALTY OF SOME
OF THE TROOPS



WILL THEY SHOOT
THEIR OWN
FAMILIES?

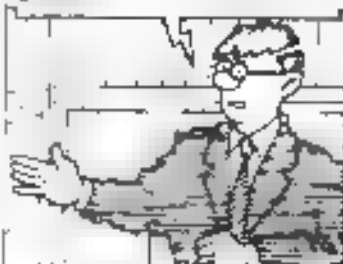
PRECISELY!



NATURALLY THE
CRACK REGIMENTS
REMAIN ENTIRELY
RELIABLE



AND IN THE MEAN-
TIME THERE ARE
OTHER MEASURES
SHEEF CONSTABLE?



YES, WE COMMENCE
ARRESTING KNOWN
RING LEADERS AND
SUSPECTS TONIGHT



AND THERE'S
A SIMULTANEOUS
BAN ON ALL
DEMONSTRATIONS
AND MARCHES!



WE MEET WITH THE
OPPOSITION WITH A
VIEW TO FORMING
A NATIONAL
GOVERNMENT



AND AS FROM
MIDNIGHT THE
TELEVISION, RADIO
AND PRESS WILL
BE UNDER OUR
OFFICIAL
CONTROL



THE BATTLE IS ON!!



I THINK WE ARE
ALL AGREED THAT
THIS IS A FIGHT
AGAINST CHAOS
AND SUBVERSORS



AND THAT OUR
PRIORITY MUST BE
TO RESTORE ORDER
ABSOLUTELY!



IN THAT CASE, WE
HAVE NOTHING MORE
TO DISCUSS. I CLOSE
THIS MEETING



A FEW DAYS AFTER
I CAN'T WAIT FOR
WEDNESDAY



I THINK IT'S GONNA
BE MASSIVE
EVERYONE'S TALKING
ABOUT IT



ALL THAT THIS
BLOODY BAN
HAS DONE
IS MAKE IT
BIGGER



IT'S AMAZING! I
CAN'T REMEMBER
EVER FEELING LIKE
THIS BEFORE



THE RAIL AND BUS
STRIKES ARE
DEFINITELY ON
ACCORDING TO
LAST NIGHT'S RSC



AND THERE'S
GONNA BE DEMOS
IN BIRMINGHAM
MANCHESTER
GLASGOW BELFAST



HOW'S THE PAPER
COMING ALONG?
DID THEY SAY?



YEH, IT'S LOOKING
GOOD. THEY'RE
TALKING OF DOING
250,000 COPIES



WHAT? EVERY
DAY?

YEAH WE
CAN DO IT
NO SWEAT!



BLOODY HELL!

YOU KNOW
THIS IS GETTING
SERIOUS



IT'S GONE WAY
BEYOND DEMOS
AND PICKETS



I MEAN HOW
ARE WE GONNA
RUN THIS
COUNTRY? WHAT
ABOUT FOOD GAS
ELECTRICITY?



WHAT WE
REALLY NEED IS
WORKING CLASS
POWER



HOLD UP JIM
DON'T START
GETTING TOO
SERIOUS!



NO I MEAN IT
A SOCIETY WHERE
WE ALL GET WHAT
WE NEED



LIKE HOUSING FOOD
HEATING

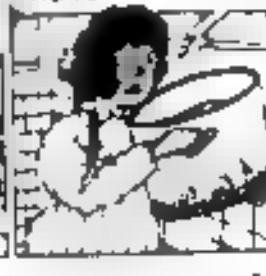
FREE BEER?



I'M SERIOUS,
MATE - WE'VE
GOT TO GET RID
OF ALL THE CRAP
WHILE WE'VE
GOT A
CHANCE!



JIM'S RIGHT -
WE'VE GONE TOO
FAR TO GO BACK
NOW



NONE OF THIS CAN
BE SETTLED
WITHOUT A
REVOLUTION



HEY DON'T GET
ME WRONG, YOU
TWO - I THINK
IT'S A SOUND
IDEA



I JUST DON'T
WANT US TO GET
SADDLED WITH
ANOTHER BUNCH
OF LYING
POLITICIANS



OR END UP
LIKE RUSSIA
OR CUBA



TOO RIGHT

GOD! I CAN'T
BELIEVE IT



A FEW MONTHS AGO
I WAS QUIETLY
WORKING WAITING
FOR ME WAGE-
PACKET



AND NOW HERE WE
ARE TALKING ABOUT
RUNNING THIS
COUNTRY!



WELL, ONE THING'S
FOR SURE MATE



WE'LL MAKE A
BETTER JOB OF
IT THAN THOSE
BASTARDS EVER
DID!!



TUESDAY MORNING
BAD NEWS! THE
PRINTING PRESS GOT
FIREBOMBED
SOME TIME
LAST NIGHT



IT'S OK - WE CAN
GET ANOTHER
ONE BUT IT'S
GETTING HEAVIER
EVERY DAY!



THE ARMY WILL BE
SENT IN SOON
PEOPLE WILL GET
ROUNDED UP



WHAT WE'VE GOT
TO DO IS TOTALLY
CONTROL OUR AREAS



YEH, WE SHOULD
START ORGANISING
PATROLS



AND WE SHOULD
ARM OURSELVES



ARM
OURSELVES?

HE'S RIGHT, NICKY
IT'S WAR NOW



WAR?!



IT'S VS OR
THEM

ALL THE BULLSHIT
HAS GONE I KNOW
IT'S SCARY, BUT
IT'S DESTROY OR
BE DESTROYED!





BUT PEOPLE ARE
GOING TO BE KILLED
YOU KNOW

PEOPLE HAVE BEEN
KILLED ALREADY.
LOVE AND WHERE'S
CAPTAIN NOW ??

OH GOD!!



DON'T WORRY MARY

I DO WORRY
I'M FRIGHTENED

I WANT HIM
BACK SO MUCH
DID YOU SEE THE
STATE HIS FACE
WAS IN IN COURT ?

I KNOW
"RESISTING
ARREST"? HA!
BASTARDS!!



WE'VE GOT TO GO
ALL OUT NOW
IT'S THE ONLY WAY

IT'S JUST THAT I
FEEL SO LONELY
AND SHARON
KEEPS ASKING
WHERE HE IS

WHAT DO I TELL
HER? THAT
HER DAD'S BEEN
ARRESTED AND
BEATEN UP ?
FOR WHAT?!



FOR WANTING A LITTLE
BIT MORE MONEY?
A BIT MORE COMFORT?

COME ON MARY
WE'RE ALL IN THIS
TOGETHER
YOU'RE NOT ALONE

IT MAKES ME
SICK ... I FEEL
SO ANGRY.



HELLO? . SPEAKING
OH SHIT YEH
WHO? . YEH
TAKE CARE YEH
I WILL BYE!

THAT WAS TARIQ
THEY'VE JUST
RAIDED THE STRIKE
CENTRE !!



SHIT!! WHO DID
THEY GET ?

HARRY ANNE DAN
AND A FEW OTHERS
IT'S ALL REALLY
CONFUSED

THIS IS IT THEN!
IT'S WAR! THE
ONLY QUESTION IS
WHO'S GONNA BE
NEXT!

THEY'RE FOR BABY
AFTER YOU AS WELL
I WOULD - SO
WELL IF I WERE
YOU



NO I'LL STOP OVER
AT A FRIENDS
I'M GONNA HEAD
DOWN THE CENTRE
- YOU COMING DES?



YEH ARE YOU
TAY STAYING
HERE?



YEH - WE'RE STILL
GOT SOME
PILS NERS
S. PP RT WORK
TO DO



OK TAKE LOADS
OF CARE



AND IF WE DON'T
SEE YOU TON GHT
WE'LL SEE YOU
BOTH TOMORROW



THE MEN LEAVE
FOR BATTLE

IT'S OUR
BATTLE AS
WELL



YEH I KNOW
IT JUST REALLY
FRIGHTENS ME



WE'VE SAAY COMES



THIS IS JUST
INCREDIBLE!!



THERE MUST BE
HALF A MILLION
OF US!



AND SO MANY KIDS



WHAT DO YOU EXPECT?
THE SCHOOL STRIKES
HAVE BEEN THE
MOST SOLID OF
COURSE!!!



I'VE SEEN HALF
OF MY CLASS
HERE ALREADY
MUM



AND I'VE SEEN
HALF OF MINE!
HELLO YOU LOT
ALRIGHT?



HIYA JIM... I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS IS HAPPENING... IT'S FANTASTIC!!



...AND FOR ONCE, I CAN'T SEE ANY COPPERS...

THEY'LL BE ABOUT SOMEWHERE...



A mile away...



NAH! I RECKON WE'VE GOT 'EM THIS TIME, JIM... HIYA MARK!



SCOTLAND'S GONE ALREADY! THE R.S.C.s HAVE TAKEN OVER THE POWER STATIONS UP THERE...



AND WHEN THE TROOPS WENT IN, HALF OF 'EM CAME OVER TO OUR SIDE...



IT'S NOW OR NEVER MATE... THERE'S NO GOING BACK!!



WHAT IS THERE TO GO BACK TO?!



THIS IS IT NOW... IT'S WAR, INNIT... CLASS WAR!!



DID YOU HEAR THAT THE QUEEN'S GONE AND DONE A BUNK TO CANADA...?



GOOD BLOODY RIDDANCE... LET'S HOPE THE REST OF 'EM TAKE THE HINT!



...I NEVER THOUGHT I'D SEE THIS IN MY LIFETIME



YEH... YOU KNOW, TED, I HOPE THIS NEVER EVER ENDS!



I JUST WISH THAT CHARLIE AND ALL THE OTHERS INSIDE COULD BE HERE...



DON'T WORRY, JANET CHARLIE WILL BE OUT SOON... I'M SURE...



I'VE GOT A FEELING THERE WON'T BE ANY PRISONS LEFT BY THE END OF THE WEEK



LOOK SHARP, TINTIN - LOOKS LIKE WE'RE MOVING OFF!



HERE WE GO THEN! ...THIS IS IT!!



ME SISTER PHONED LAST
NIGHT ... SHE SAID THE
ARMY HAVE BEEN SENT
INTO LIVERPOOL ...



...TO "RESTORE
ORDER" —
WHATEVER
THAT MEANS!



...IT'S THEIR
STINKING ORDER,
THEIR RIGHT TO
SCREW US .. THEY
CAN STUFF IT!!



WE'VE HAD A GLIMPSE
OF SOMETHING BETTER
...AND WE WANT MORE!



SOLIDARITY is STRENGTH

REGIONAL • STRIKE • CO-ORDINATION



only the beginning...

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